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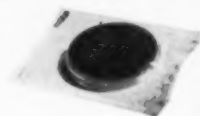


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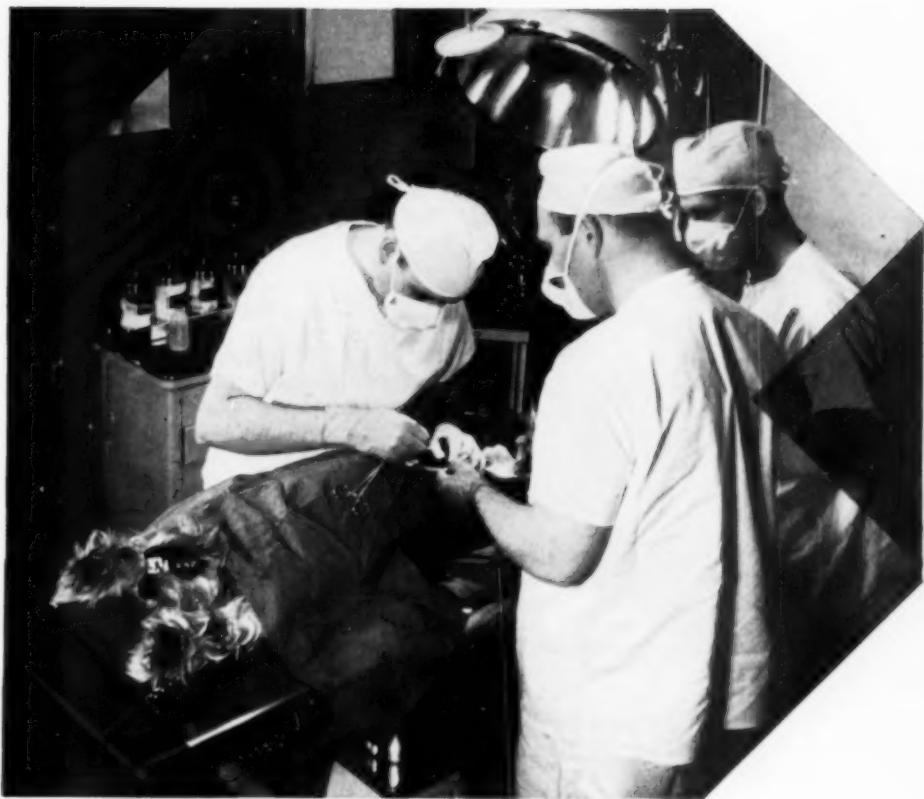
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ARS will hold a conference in Evanston, Ill., November 26-27, of federal veterinarians in charge for the purpose of reviewing the brucellosis program and to set goals toward certification by counties and states.

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It is reported that 11 firms desire to participate with the Atomic Energy Commission in developing an experimental center for food irradiation. The preservation by irradiation is of interest, among others, to hospitals as well as to the military services.

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The National Science Foundation has published an 82-page report on the research and development potential of nonprofit institutes and commercial firms in the United States, based on a survey coordinated by the Maxwell Research Center, Syracuse University, and financed by the National Science Foundation. The report, "Research and Development by Nonprofit Research Institutes and Commercial Laboratories 1953" may be purchased (50 cents) from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. According to the Washington Report for Medical Sciences, three-fourths of the institutes and laboratories were organized since 1941, when the government began expanding its research effort. Expenditure by the institutes in that year totalled more than \$53 million, of which \$3.3 million went into basic research (\$97,000 in medical sciences).

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At ceremonies in Washington on October 1, the Armed Forces Medical Library became the National Library of Medicine and control passed from the military establishment to the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, (see JOURNAL, April 15, 1956, adv. p. 12). The authority for the official transfer is Public Law 941, 84th Congress. Colonel Frank B. Rogers, M. C., U. S. Army, will continue, at least for the present, as director, having been detailed for this duty to the Public Health Service.

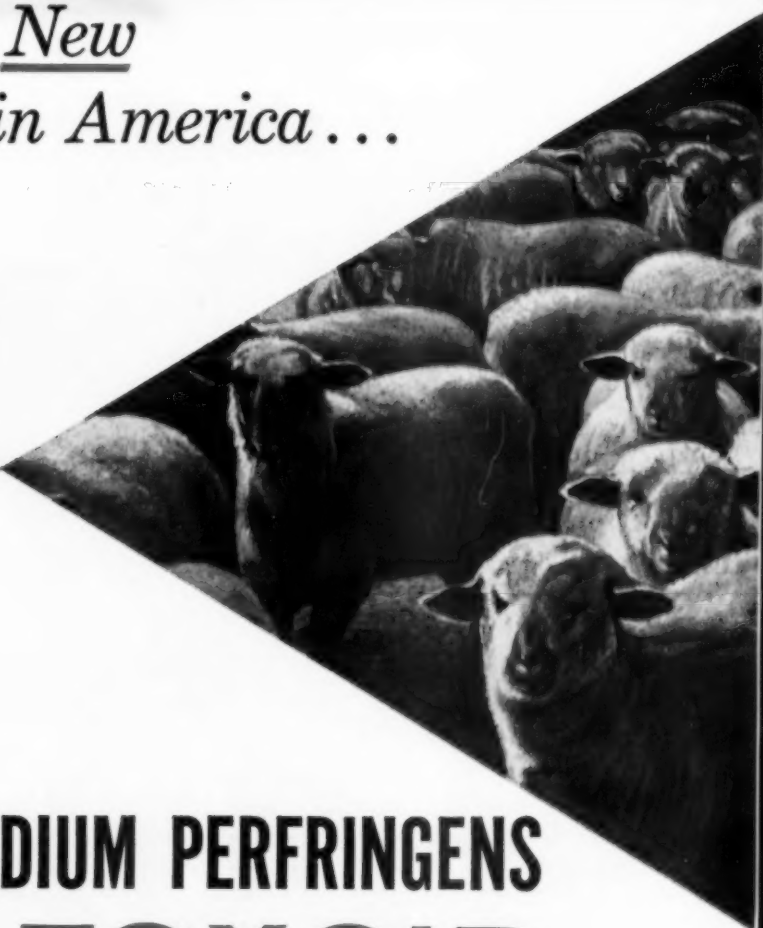
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Because of the death of Congressman Percy Priest, there is some doubt whether the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee will go through with plans for early December hearings into medical education and its financing. The activities of this committee include national health legislation. Unless Republicans control the House in the 85th Congress, the new chairman will be the Honorable Oren Harris, an able and respected member of the House from El Dorado, Ark. (fourth district). Should Republicans control the House, the Honorable C. A. Wolverton, first district, New Jersey, would be chairman.

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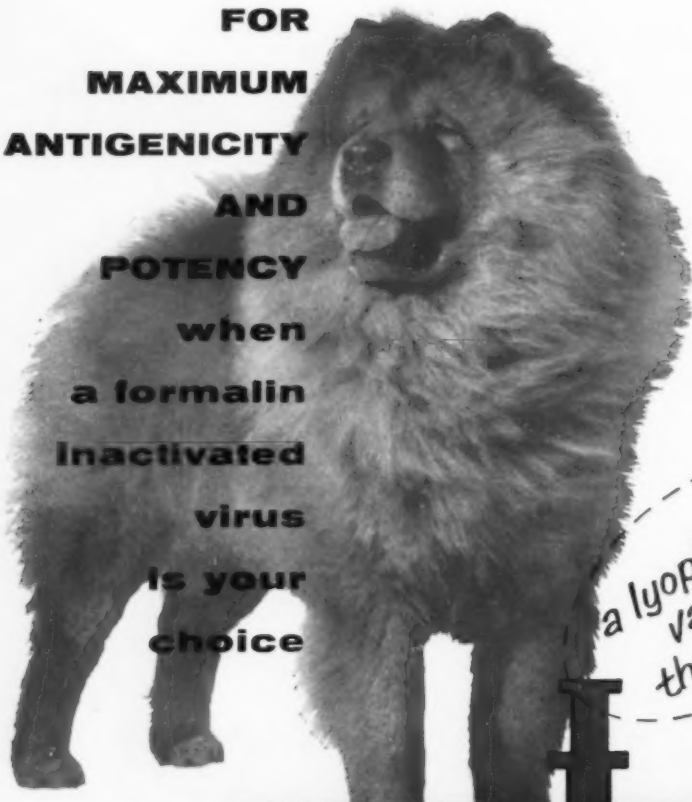
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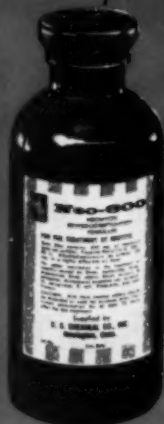
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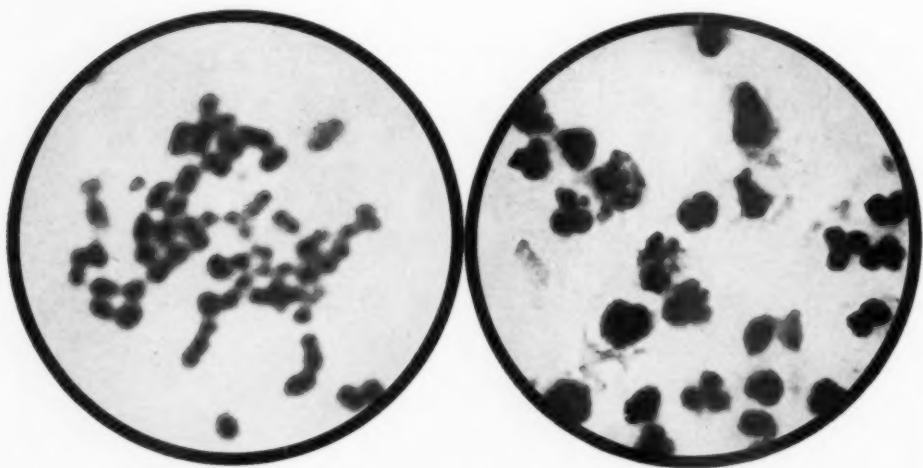
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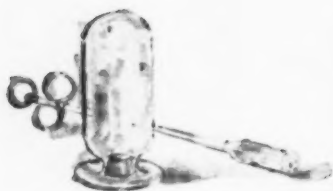
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The Opening and Closing Sessions of the Ninety-Third Annual Meeting Held in San Antonio, October 15-18

The Ninety-Third Annual meeting of the American Veterinary Medical Association convened in the Municipal Auditorium in San Antonio, Texas, on Oct. 15, 1956, Dr. Floyd Cross, president, presiding.

The convention was welcomed to San Antonio by City Manager Steve J. Matthews. Dr. Alvin Price, president of the Texas State Veterinary Medical Association, in responding to the welcome for the AVMA, said that the increase in population, with the resultant need for more food, creates a situation with which the veterinary profession must deal persistently and courageously; it must cease to temporize with such diseases as brucellosis, leptospirosis, and others which take their annual toll from the income of the livestock producer and reduces the animal food production, thereby creating hazards to the health of all of the people.

The following distinguished guests were introduced at the Opening Session by President Cross: Dr. J. A. Anderson, representing the British Veterinary Medical Association; Dr. R. J. Avery, Canada Department of Agriculture, Vancouver, B.C., representing the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association; and Dr. A. Alexander, president of the Veterinary College (Association) of Mexico. Dr. Fritz Nilsson-Sevelius of Sweden also attended the meeting.

Greetings from the Women's Auxiliary to the AVMA were presented by Acting President Mrs. A. E. Coombs, of Skowhegan, Maine.

After the presidential address by Dr. Cross, the awards and certificates of merit were presented (see the following pages for pictures and citations of award winners).

(Dr. C. M. Pomerat's address, which concluded the Opening Session, appears on pp. 458-462.)

The President's Address

FLOYD CROSS, D.V.M.

Fort Collins, Colorado

Our annual meeting should be a time of looking ahead to endeavors, projects, and plans built on or around our hopes for changes or improvements that will advance and elevate our profession.

This should also be an occasion for taking inventory, for looking back, and viewing our accomplishments and successes. If our achievements seem modest in retrospect, they at least represent something attempted, something done, and may merit some degree of satisfaction among ourselves.

Under projects accomplished, or in proc-



President Floyd Cross

ess, there are several that will be mentioned here:

INSURANCE COMMITTEE

1) There has been prepared, and clarified in detail, and submitted to the House of Representatives for their action, what we consider to be a good, sound insurance program for members of the profession. It is predominantly a group plan of health and accident insurance, designed to assist the members of the profession through periods of injury or sickness, when their income would cease or be sharply reduced. We consider this to be highly important, particularly to the young man starting his professional career. This insurance program must stand or fall on its merits. I do feel that the contribution made by the Special Committee on Insurance in developing this plan is an outstanding example of progress that can come only through organized effort.

CONSTITUTION BEING STUDIED

2) Another important matter that is receiving careful attention is the rewriting of our Constitution and Administrative By-laws. Through the many years since their

adoption, numerous changes and amendments make it difficult at times to know the actual meaning intended. A comprehensive, carefully studied revision should clarify many or all obscure points.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT-ELECT

3) Consideration is being given toward devising a better and more representative method of electing the president of our Association. Under the present system, only those members who attend the annual meeting have a vote, and the very considerable number not present have no voice in the selection of the one to hold this important office.

It appears desirable that voting for president and other officers be done without regard to attendance at the annual meeting, but by means that will more accurately reflect the voice of all members.

VETERINARY SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES

4) During the past year, our Association was tested in its ability to respond to an emergency situation of considerable magnitude. I am referring to the action of the Secretary of Defense whereby he proposed

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to abolish the veterinary services of the Army and Air Force.

The effective marshalling of constituent association secretaries, legislative contacts, appropriate committees, allied professions, and the membership at large in bringing their efforts to focus on this problem is an example of an Association activity for which we can be thankful and justifiably proud.

Without the facilities now available for immediate action, this cause would have been lost.

Today, the eventual outcome is not entirely clear; however, we can be assured that the final decisions will be based on facts rather than hearsay or inspired misinformation.

PUBLIC RELATIONS EXPANDED

5) I am very pleased to comment upon the subject of public relations and the important and far-reaching step in this field that our Association has taken.

As you may know, public relations is getting attention, with a full-time man working at our national headquarters. The man responsible for conducting this important work is well qualified and is re-

ceiving full support in all respects from the national officers.

We may expect that this aspect of our professional lives will receive a more concerted, better organized, more continuous attention than has been the case in the past. This is not to say that there have not been real efforts at establishing effective public relations in the past. Such attempts have been made, and they were adequately supported, but it seemed too often that most members of the profession were unaware of the efforts being made. Possibly the membership should have been given a greater opportunity for participation. Anyway, we have the proper organization now and we will keep our own and other learned professions and the general public informed concerning our professional attainments, the fields in which we serve, or should serve, and our important role in maintaining the human and animal health of the nation.

There is great need for enlightening the average person, and even some members of the professions, on the educational standards and abilities and skills of the modern veterinarian. This can be done effectively by our Public Relations Department

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Dr. Alvin A. Price, president of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association.



Dr. A. R. Rees, Jr., general chairman of local arrangements.

through news stories in the press, through radio and television, and through the exchange of information and ideas with other professional societies, livestock associations, public health organizations, and other interested groups.

For far too long, our profession has been far too modest in letting the public know of its education, abilities, capabilities, attainments, and its rightful place in the medical service of our country.

During the past two years as president-elect and president, I have attended many veterinary meetings throughout the United States and Canada. All these meetings have been professional in character and those attending have been, in almost all instances, veterinarians.

Frankly, I have felt somewhat as though I were working with one hand tied behind my back due to the fact that I have had but one invitation as AVMA president to appear before nonveterinary groups. This was the Nebraska Livestock Growers Association. Other groups might well have been national meetings of cattle growers, cattle feeders, and those concerned with swine, sheep, and poultry, and many other organizations whose members could and should be interested in veterinary medicine.

It is stressed that we have a twofold task: first—the responsibility for keeping the membership informed and abreast of developments of the profession; second—

to interest and inform nonveterinary groups concerning the services that we, as veterinarians, are capable of rendering and the extent of our training. We are thinking too little of this second important function, and have failed up to this time to recognize its importance fully.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your retiring president and those who have advised him consider that there are certain important matters that should receive prompt attention by the Association, and these will be stated briefly:

AVMA-OWNED BUILDING

1) The ownership of our own building for the national headquarters of the Association, and the decision as to its location, should be the subject of careful study and investigation, possibly by a special committee which would render a report and recommendations at an annual meeting in the near future. At present and for some years past, we have spent considerable amounts for office rent, and we have nothing of a permanent nature as a result of this spending. Our own building, of proper size and in a good location, should provide the necessary office space for our national headquarters now and in an expanded future.

The decision as to the feasibility of this idea should be made after a committee has made a thorough study. This should include cost of land for a site and the construction of the building. There should also be a plan for financing the project. The AVMA is here to stay and it is time that we consider the matter of a permanent home.

NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FACTS

2) It is highly important that we know as far as possible what the future holds for the veterinary profession. No one, I am sure, can predict the future, but we can at least accumulate some data in the AVMA office that would serve as a foundation for predictions.

I am deeply concerned about what the professional future may hold, and it is my urgent recommendation that a broad, comprehensive, and detailed survey be made, by qualified personnel, of all phases of our professional life—present and future. There are so many questions to which we do not have satisfactory answers. In an emergency, we must substitute guesses for established facts or proved statistics.

This survey should establish many points and premises. For example, consider a veterinary body applying to state or federal government for funds with which to conduct research on some infectious disease. The questions would naturally be asked: "How important is this disease in the livestock economy of your state? What does it cost your livestock industry?" Could we answer with facts and approximate figures? I doubt it, and so must you. The same would be true of any similar technical question at this time. We do not have the answers that a comprehensive survey of the important livestock diseases should give us.

What of veterinary education of the future? Who can predict the curriculum necessary to meet the profession's needs in 1971, 15 years from now? Who knows whether we will be graduating enough veterinarians to meet the country's needs, or too few, or too many?

A recent study, entitled "Impending Tidal Wave of Students," indicates that if 40 per cent of those reaching college age do in fact attend col-

lege, then there will be nearly five and a half million students in the nation's institutions of higher learning in 1971, against 2.3 million in 1955.

How many of these students will want veterinary education? What will we do with them? What physical facilities will be required, what teaching and research staffs, what curriculum?

What are we to do in the teaching of poultry practice, poultry inspection, nutrition, artificial insemination, genetics, and public health and others? Will we take our rightful places in these important fields of veterinary endeavor, or will we leave them to those with a Ph.D. degree but no D.V.M. I fear that the trend at present is in that direction.

Should we plan our courses primarily for the general practitioner, or for the small animal expert, or the large animal specialist? Should we plan special instruction for the prospective career in government work, military veterinary career, or public health? Who knows at this time? I wish you would answer for me, for certainly I can not.

Would not a course in disease reporting and vital statistics be of great value to the profession? True, there are now some reported diseases required by various state regulations, but could we find anywhere the figures for the national rate of morbidity or mortality in shipping fever in cattle, for example?

We can readily picture a situation wherein a request was being made to Congress for funds to conduct research in animal diseases on a national scale. We would be asked, undoubtedly, the following questions: "How much research is being done now by the veterinary schools of the country, and on what problems? What are the facilities for research at the veterinary schools and how adequate are their physical plants, their staffs, and the state of staff training? What staff papers have been

Distinguished Guests



Dr. J. A. Anderson, Great Britain (left), Dr. A. Alexander, Mexico, and Dr. R. J. Avery, Canada, bring greetings from their associations.



Mrs. A. E. Coombs, Skowhegan, Maine, acting president of the Women's Auxiliary to the AVMA, and now president, delivering greetings at the Opening Session.

published? How are your institutions now financed for research?"

Could we answer these questions effectively? I think not.

Another important question at this time is the present and future place of the veterinarian in public health.

The veterinary profession is, or should be, actively concerned with public health.

Various fields of public health are now served by our profession, and meat inspection at the federal, state, or local level is most important. Particularly in the local situation, the practitioner can render a community service by doing an effective job of meat inspection. The same is true of dairy inspection.

In the town or county or district where a health unit is maintained, the local veterinarian should be a health department member, or he may be the health officer. In these capacities, he is not only a guardian of the health of man and animals in his area, but he is also keeping himself informed on conditions which will be important in his practice. Here too, he may enter the field of epidemiology, being of course actively concerned with the prevention, control, and elimination of epidemics in the human or animal population.

Poultry inspection is a new and growing field of action for the veterinarian, and may be conducted under federal, state, or local regulations.

Sanitation in food-processing plants is, of course, vastly important in the prevention of disease and elimination of food-poisoning epidemics, aside from the esthetic considerations. The veterinarian engaged in meat, dairy, or poultry inspection will

naturally be the one most actively concerned with sanitation of establishments.

I have raised some pertinent and urgent questions, the answers to which must not be delayed, but, in view of our present knowledge or the lack of it, we do not have the answers.

The only means by which we may acquire the knowledge on which to base the answers is a complete and careful survey on a national scope, with this followed by the necessary research. We should explore the possibility of some one of the "foundations" which provide funds for such projects, taking over the financial backing of the survey which I propose. It has been done in similar situations.

GRADUATE STUDY AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

3) The matter of graduate study in the case of those who have received the D.V.M. degree deserves special consideration.

At present, only about 4 per cent of the members of our profession engage in teaching and research.

It is difficult, and at times almost impossible, to fill staff vacancies in these important fields with properly trained and well-qualified veterinarians. It is often a simple matter to find a nonveterinarian trained in the field of general science with a Ph.D. degree, who may possibly seem qualified to teach students of veterinary medicine, or to conduct research in the field of animal disease. This is becoming increasingly common in such sciences as parasitology, bacteriology, virology, and physiology. No doubt there others.

The question resolves itself into an act of simple choice: Do we feel, and are we willing to concede, that veterinary students in certain areas of study can receive from well-trained, nonveterinary instructors the high quality of teaching which we require? Do we also consider that research in certain fields of animal physiology and pathology can be done effectively by individuals who are without a complete and thorough training in the medical field?

If your answers to these questions are in the negative, then you must devise some way to direct veterinarians who have the academic urge into the field of graduate study.

In order to bring about the necessary level of higher education, and to encourage graduate study, it seems imperative that schools of veterinary medicine strengthen and expand their present graduate programs and facilities.

RESEARCH FUND AND FELLOWSHIPS

Fellowships, graduate assistant positions, and other means of providing financial aid for the interested and qualified student for advanced degrees must be provided to a greater extent.

The AVMA, through the Research Council, is at present granting as many fellowships as their limited funds will permit. The money available in the research fund depends largely upon the yearly

contributions of individual members of the profession. It is essential that some other and more certain means be found by which to maintain and increase the funds necessary for this highly important and desirable enterprise.

A strenuous effort should be made to encourage support of the research fund by private enterprise, such as livestock organizations, meat-packing establishments, drug and biological products companies, and others. If these sources do not provide enough funds, then serious consideration must be given to increasing the dues and fees of the membership in sufficient amount to maintain research and continuing education at the proper level.

Aside from teaching and research, there is need for advanced study in other phases of veterinary medicine.

Among these are surgery, pathology, bacteriology, physiology, virology, poultry diseases, and public health. Those interested or who propose to enter these fields should be afforded the opportunity for graduate study and application in practical experience.

CONCLUSION

It has been my privilege to attend many

association meetings in the United States and Canada, and I am grateful indeed for the kindness and courtesy that was always shown me, and which make these visits pleasant memories.

The members of the AVMA staff, the secretary and assistant secretary, were always most helpful, and I am sincerely thankful for their efforts, and in this I am glad to include the editorial staff of the JOURNAL.

The good work done by all the committees and members of the House of Representatives is acknowledged with grateful thanks. Their activities contribute much to the success of the AVMA and the profession as a whole.

General J. A. McCallam has done superior work, as liaison officer in Washington, in maintaining the position and desires of the AVMA before Congressional committees. He has been particularly active and successful in promoting legislation favor-

The chuck wagon supper, held on Tuesday evening, October 16, in the San Antonio Coliseum, was the "president's night."

The inset at lower right shows President Cross (left), Mr. Bert Hill, secretary of the American Veterinary Exhibitors' Association, and President-Elect Wayne O. Kester ready to award the door prizes of the Exhibitors' Association.

The white horse and the young woman provided entertainment for over 1,600 who attended.



able to the military veterinary services, and he now has a more critical problem to face and solve. He merits our sincere appreciation and active help whenever he asks for it on matters affecting the profession.

Last and most important of the organizations we have the privilege of thanking is the Women's Auxiliary.

This organization, by reason of its spirit, and activity, and its constant thought for the welfare of the AVMA is a prominent factor in promoting morale and increasing

attendance at the meetings. The presence of its members adds a gracious touch to meetings that might otherwise become drab and submerged in profundity.

Upon this occasion, which marks the end of my tour of duty as your president, I am very much aware of the debt I owe to so many for the help, and support, and inspiration that have been given me. The president could accomplish very little were it not for the never-failing assistance he receives from those in strategic places and, indeed, from all the membership.

Presentation of Awards

Humane Act Award—Glen T. Allen

This year's committee unanimously agreed upon all the selections. The winner is Glen T. Allen,



Glen T. Allen (top), Miami Fla., winner of the Humane Act Award. Below is shown Dr. W. A. Young, chairman of the Humane Act Award Committee, presenting the award to Dr. Jack Knowles of Florida, who will in turn present it to Glen at a local veterinary medical meeting.

15 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Allen of 3565 N.W. 36th St., Miami, Fla.

Glen is an Eagle Scout and has been active in Boy Scout work for several years. His great and special interest in animals dealt with the Florida Key deer. This boy spearheaded the drive to afford protection and establish a refuge for these interesting little members of the deer family, which are found only in a special section of Florida.

In 1951, the herd had been reduced by hunting and other means to a mere 30 animals. Through the efforts of Glen and others who joined him, the herd has been built up to well over 100. This young lad's efforts reached out to all parts of the nation, touching zoological societies, Congress, two presidents of the United States, state and national conservation officials, the Secretary of the Interior, and others. The result has been that Congress established the National Key Deer Refuge on 71 acres of land as a start to guarantee the natural habitat for the perpetuation of this unique wild creature, the Florida Key deer.

Numerous honors and awards have been bestowed upon Glen by other organizations, and it is with a great deal of satisfaction that your committee votes to award the 1956 Humane Act Award of the AVMA to this highly deserving young man, Glen T. Allen.

The award consists of a suitable certificate and a \$100 face value series E savings bond.

Secondary awards were made to six boys and girls: Sharon Harmon and Lois Lee, of Espy, Pa., for their efforts in behalf of a cat caught in a steel trap; John Sutter, Boy Scout from Mastic Beach, N. Y., for heroic efforts in behalf of animals endangered by a forest fire; Dorothy Garrett, of Phillips, Texas, for unusual care and attention to a mocking bird; Denise Antoni, of Brockville, Ont., for rescuing a dog from a ravine; Scout Troop 13, of Olean, N. Y., for their united efforts in cleaning up the Olean S.P.A.C. shelter after a disastrous flood; and Nancy Ellen Wright of Clarksburg, Md., for efforts in behalf of an unfortunate pig, which started her in the business of raising lambs and caring and providing special care to numerous other animals.

**Citation—Practitioner Research Award
to Dr. Wayne H. Riser**

Dr. Wayne H. Riser is a native of, and received his primary and secondary education in, Earlham, Iowa; his D.V.M. from Iowa State College in 1932; and an M.S. from the same college in 1945.

He was in general practice at Glenwood, Iowa (1932-1937), then in small animal practice in Des



Dr. Wayne H. Riser, Skokie, Ill. (right), accepting the Practitioner Research Award from Dr. C. A. Brandy, chairman of the Research Council.

Moines (1937-1946), and later (1949) established the Riser Animal Hospital at Skokie, Ill.

In 1945-1946 he assisted in the Clinical Pathology Department of the Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, and since 1950 he has been lecturer in the Department of Pathology, Northwestern University Medical School, Evanston, Ill. From 1945 to 1949 he was engaged in editorial and research work.

In addition to innumerable consultancies, board memberships, and officerships in professional and scientific societies and associations, Dr. Riser has presented many papers to veterinary and other groups. He has been author or co-author of approximately 35 research and professional papers and publications.

It is in recognition of Dr. Riser's abiding interest in, and contributions from, his research efforts as a practitioner, "beyond the call of duty" and for the welfare of man's animal friends, that he has been selected to receive this, the first AVMA Research Council Award for Research by a Practitioner.

In acknowledging, in behalf of the Research Council and the AVMA, Dr. Riser's singular accomplishments in both the art and science of veterinary medicine and the challenge toward productive achievement which they represent to others of our profession, present and future, the follow-

ing words by Robert Oppenheimer are particularly appropriate:

Both the man of science and the man of art live always at the edge of mystery, surrounded by it; both always, as the measure of their creation, have had to do with the harmonization of what is new with what is familiar, with the balance between novelty and synthesis, with the struggle to make partial order in total chaos.

They can, in their work and in their lives, help themselves, help one another and help all men.

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**Citation—Twelfth International Veterinary
Congress Prize to Dr. Hadleigh Marsh**

Born Nov. 21, 1888 at Ripon, Wis., Dr. Hadleigh Marsh received his early education in local schools and then enrolled at the University of Chicago where he received the B. S. degree (*cum laude*) in 1909. In 1912, he received his D.V.M. degree (with distinction) from George Washington University. In 1908, and while studying veterinary medicine, he was an assistant in poisonous plant investigations in the Bureau of Animal Industry, U.S.D.A.

From 1913 to 1917, he was a veterinary inspector with the BAI. In 1917 and 1918, he served with the Veterinary Corps, U. S. Army, a part of which time he was an officer in charge of the veterinary laboratory at Fort Sam Houston. He was discharged with the rank of captain, was a major in the Veterinary Reserve Corps from 1920 to 1940, and was also a major in the Montana National Guard from 1923 to 1929.

Dr. Marsh was bacteriologist-pathologist of the Montana Livestock Sanitary Board from 1919 to 1929, and then organized and headed the Montana Veterinary Research Laboratory at the Agricultural Experiment Station, Bozeman, from 1929 to 1950. At this time, he voluntarily retired as head to devote his time to research and writing. Presently, he is on leave from the Laboratory and is serving as state veterinarian.

He has traveled, and studied sheep diseases and management, in New Zealand under grants from the Montana and the National Wool Growers' Associations. He is a leading authority on diseases of sheep.

In 1955, Dr. Marsh was presented a centennial



Dr. Marsh (right) accepts the Twelfth International Veterinary Congress Prize from President Cross at the meeting in San Antonio.

award by Michigan State University in recognition of work as "scientist, conservationist, humanitarian, and eminent ovine pathologist."

He is the author or co-author of over 80 papers and reports on various technical subjects related to animal diseases, particularly in the field of poisonous range plants, sheep diseases, bovine tuberculosis, vibronic abortion, and glands.

In professional and scientific circles, Dr. Marsh has been a member and active worker in the AVMA (joined 1912), the U. S. Livestock Sanitary Association, Intermountain V.M.A., Montana V.M.A. (president in 1941 and secretary-treasurer, 1922-1938), charter member and past president of the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases, charter member of the American Society of Veterinary Pathologists, and a member of the Committee on Animal Diseases of the Agricultural Board, National Research Council.

In civic affairs, Dr. Marsh has been active in young peoples' programs, Boy Scout work, junior recreation camps, community chest drives; also the Montana State Fair, and other livestock exhibitions. He is active in church work and the American Legion.

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**Citation—Borden Award and Medal to
Dr. Herbert L. Gilman**

Herbert L. Gilman was born on Oct. 26, 1895, at Woodbury, N. Y. He graduated from elementary school in 1909 and from Richmond Hill High School in 1913. He then entered the New York State Veterinary College, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., where he was awarded the D.V.M. degree in 1917, an M.S. in 1920, and a PhD. in 1922. While a student in veterinary college, he successively served as appointed student assistant in anatomy, student assistant in physiology, and as an officer in the U. S. Army Veterinary Corps for 18 months. Following the war, he returned to

Cornell and took his graduate training under Drs. W. L. Williams, B. F. Kingsbury, R. R. Birch, and V. A. Moore. In 1919, Dr. Gilman was appointed instructor in diseases of the genital organs of cattle under Dr. Williams. In 1920, following award of the Ph.D. degree, he was appointed assistant professor of Veterinary Research. From 1938 to date, he has been professor of Veterinary Bacteriology.

He is a member of Sigma Xi, Phi Zeta, Southern Tier Veterinary Medical Association (past president), New York State Veterinary Medical Association, the AVMA (past chairman of the Section on Research and member for a long term of years), and is a past master of Hobasco Lodge 716 F. and A. M.

Most of his professional life has been devoted to research on diseases of dairy cattle, with some teaching. Major fields of endeavor have been diseases of the genital organs of dairy cattle, brucellosis, trichomoniasis, and bovine vibriosis. In collaboration with Dr. R. R. Birch, Dr. Gilman participated in fundamental research on brucellosis, helping to lay the ground work for our present-day understanding of this disease.

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**Citation—AVMA Award to Col. Robert J.
Foster (Ret.)**

Born in Youngstown, Ohio, Sept. 7, 1880, Colonel Foster received his early education in Ithaca, N. Y., where his parents moved three years after his birth. In 1902, he received the D.V.M. degree from New York State Veterinary College at Cornell University.

After graduation, he served one year as assistant state veterinarian of South Carolina and veterinary science instructor at Clemson Agricultural College. The next year, he was an instructor at the University of Missouri and then spent a year at Kansas State College in similar work. He then decided on military veterinary medicine as a career.

From 1905 to 1916, Colonel Foster served as veterinarian with the 12th U.S. Cavalry at various posts and was stationed along the Mexican border during the Pancho Villa insurrection. In 1916, he was transferred to the 9th U. S. Cavalry for duty in the Philippines. In June of that year, when the Army Veterinary Corps was organized, he was commissioned first lieutenant and returned to the States to organize and command the veterinary section of the Medical Officers Training Camp at Fort Riley, Kan., with the rank of major in the Veterinary Corps, National Army.

In 1918, Colonel Foster was ordered to duty in the Surgeon General's Office in Washington, D.C. and, later, was placed in charge of reorganizing the Veterinary Corps under the National Defense Act of 1920, which established the present Army Veterinary Corps.

From November, 1920, until June, 1952, he served as chief veterinarian, Army of Occupation, at Coblenz, Germany. The next four years were spent at the Cavalry School, Fort Riley, as station veterinarian in charge of veterinary instruction. He did much to revise the course in horsemanship, renovate the veterinary hospital, and improve the care of horses, all of which was done with his customary "zeal, energy, and spirit of cooperation" noted by one of his superior officers.



Dr. Gilman (right) receives the Borden Award from Mr. John H. McCain of the Borden Company Foundation.



Colonel Foster (right) accepting the 1956 AVMA Award from President Cross at the San Antonio Meeting.

From July, 1926, to September, 1929, Colonel Foster was department veterinarian, Panama Canal Zone, and then until June, 1931, was Corps area veterinarian, Seventh Corps Area, Omaha, Neb. His next assignment was at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Upon his recommendation, a meat-food inspection service was established, in 1935, for the Civilian Conservation Corps to which Veterinary Corps officers were assigned, a considerable number so serving in various parts of the country.

In May, 1934, Colonel Foster was called to Washington to serve as director of the Veterinary Corps in the Surgeon General's Office; this tour of duty was completed in April, 1938. It was during this time that he effectively opposed a War Department proposal to drastically reduce the officer and enlisted personnel of the Veterinary Corps.

Colonel Foster joined the AVMA in 1906. He

served the Association in various capacities and was elected president in 1936. His term as president was marked by a notable increase in membership; his recommendations at the annual meeting in 1937 brought about reorganization of the Association's activities, administration, and program. All told, he did much to further the prestige and progress of the AVMA and the veterinary profession in general.

Since retiring from military life in 1922, Colonel and Mrs. Foster have made their home in San Francisco where, with characteristic zeal and energy, he has made his services available to the state association and where he was honored, in 1953, for his efforts in promoting greater recognition of the veterinary profession.

Certificates of Appreciation

(Two years ago, the Association authorized expressions of appreciation to selected persons in lay life who make significant contributions to the public understanding of the veterinary profession. This award has been presented only once previously.)

This year, two individuals have been nominated and selected by the Committee on Awards to receive the Association's Certificate of Appreciation.)

Citation—Mr. Charles S. Travers

For ten years Mr. Travers has served as executive secretary of the California State Veterinary Medical Association—the first to hold that title since it was established as a full-time office in 1947. Since then, the membership of the California Association has increased more than four times, its influence and affluence have been greatly expanded, and its liaison with groups related to veterinary medicine has been vastly improved.

Through Mr. Travers' efforts and the cooperation of those for whom he works, he has demonstrated the value of cooperation with livestock and other agricultural groups by veterinary medical associations. His untiring energy and readiness

Mr. Harry Miller (left), of New York City, and Mr. Charles S. Travers (right), of San Francisco, with the awards presented by President Floyd Cross.



to devote himself to the problems of the moment, or of the future, for the benefit of veterinarians in California is an inspiring example. He has been equally responsive when called upon by the AVMA in legislative and other matters.

Having observed his work at firsthand, I am especially pleased on behalf of the Committee on Awards to present this certificate as a token of our esteem — in recognition of outstanding contributions to better public understanding of the work of the veterinary profession.

Citation—Mr. Harry Miller

Mr. Miller's position as director of the Gaines Dog Research Center, and his interest in, and promotion of, activities related to dogs and their well-being, have made him well known to the veterinary medical profession. He and his organization have directed attention to important aspects

of canine nutrition and health and these efforts have had significant results.

Moreover, his sincere interest and beliefs have brought him many friends in our profession. He has contributed to public understanding of the work of veterinarians in several ways, including the "Veterinarian of the Year" Award made annually by him and his organization. In addition, the motion picture films, veterinary symposiums, and research publications which he has sponsored are substantial evidence of his real interest in and devotion to dogs, and the part which veterinarians and veterinary science play in safeguarding their health.

It is a privilege to present him this token of our esteem, the Certificate of Appreciation of the AVMA in recognition of his contributions to better public understanding of the work of the veterinary profession.

Tissue Culture in Experimental Biology and Medicine

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IN HIS PRESIDENTIAL address, Dr. Floyd Cross pointed out some of the difficulties in alerting the general public to the importance of veterinary medicine. As he spoke, I was reminded of Mark Twain's famous questions and answers which ran something like this: "What is the most wonderful product of creation?" Answer: "Man."



Dr. C. M. Pomerat delivering his address at the Opening Session in San Antonio.

"Who discovered this extraordinary fact?" Answer: "Man." The problem of dealing with our anthropomorphic thinking is always with us!

The remarkably complete index to the

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literature of tissue culture by Murray and Kopech,¹ covering the period from 1884-1950, is cross-indexed to include listings by animal species. The majority of approximately 15,000 articles deal with avian and rodent tissues.

Currently, with the vast increase in the use of methods for cell culture with the aid of antibiotics in handling contaminated tissues, human test objects have gained in popularity. Man is becoming a serious rival of rats and mice for tissue culture investigations—offering us another example of anthropocentric attitudes! Indeed, man is such a good experimental animal that I now meet the onslaught of objections by ardent antivivisectionists with the remark, "I agree with you perfectly, let's not use pussy cats; let's use human beings, particularly children, for experimental work." Of course, I go on to explain that investigators in medical centers have an unlimited supply of material available from surgical specimens, biopsies, and even autopsies. The tonsillar tissue discarded from one child can provide approximately 1,000 explants for culture. Prepuccial tissue serves as an important source of epithelial and connective tissue elements.

In casting about for an illustration of some study having general significance in both human and veterinary medicine, it occurred to me that you might be interested in our investigations on wound healing. Our studies involve cultivating fragments approximately 2 mm. square from the tis-

sue of wounds at various stages of repair in Rose chambers² (fig. 1).

Granulating tissue at the suppurative stage is characterized *in vitro* by the emigration of enormous numbers of mobile cells which consist initially of a predominance of neutrophils. Within three to four days, this population is reduced primarily to lymphocytes, monocytes, and macroph-



Fig. 1—This Rose chamber is a "sandwich" construction consisting of a pure gum rubber gasket with a hole in its center, flanked on either side by 43- by 50-mm. cover glasses of No. 1 thickness. The system is made airtight by screwing stainless steel plates on the outer faces with an Allen wrench. Fluid nutrient can be exchanged via 25-gauge needles inserted through the rubber gasket.

ages.⁶ The connective tissue phase now is announced by the emigration of spindle cells from the explants. These produce long strands and feltworks which can be shown to involve rich formations of reticular and collagenous fibers by the end of the second week. It is suspected that some anastomosing systems of elongated cells represent endothelium.

Characteristic phases of the reparative process as we see it in tissue cultures are shown (fig. 2-5). It is not the purpose of this report to develop a systematic review of wound healing, but rather to point up the numberless challenging opportunities for research on the problem of surgical repair. Methods are available to show how cells deal with bacteria, execute their

duties in the microdebridement of damaged areas, and the chemical factors involved when mesodermal elements prepare the bed to receive epithelial associates.

As an illustration of a project with what we believe might have a very important future in veterinary medicine, here are a few pictures of the *in vitro* behavior of exfoliated cells from the mammary glands of bitches.[†]

With characteristic vision, Dr. Dudley Jackson, an eminent San Antonio veterinarian and cancer specialist, in some studies which we had done several years ago, saw an opportunity to follow the cellular evolution of papillomatous clusters from the intraductal area of mammary tissue. Since the dog exhibits a wide spectrum of pathological changes in this area, this animal became our primary experimental object. Typical source material and the outgrowth of epithelial clusters of explants obtained from the mammary secretion of dogs are shown (fig. 6-9). This attack has been described in papers by Pomerat³ and by McCormick, Jackson, and Pomerat.⁴ Again, a comprehensive report on exfoliative cytology is beyond the scope of this address. Work in progress here in San Antonio by Drs. D. Jackson, T. Sergeant, F. W. Steinberg, and D. Todd is now being directed at exploring the dynamic cytology of exfoliated cells from the cow's udder.

Current developments in the tissue culture field have much to offer the experimentalist in the veterinary field. As the result of a long series of arduous researches, Parker and his associates⁵ have evolved a synthetic medium for the animal cell. Earle's group⁶ at the National Cancer Institute analyzed the constituents of an ideal fluid nutrient and from this have prepared a list of essential constituents to serve as a complete cell diet. While not completely defined chemically, the formulas presented by Waymouth⁷ and by Eagle⁸ are more easily prepared.

All of these efforts point to an era of a more scientific approach to the analysis of cellular metabolism under conditions permitting a high degree of control. It will become possible to determine the precise nutritional requirements for the growth of various species of normal and pathological tissues.

Much interest has centered on the development of cell strains which are managed

⁶A 350-ft., 16-mm., silent motion picture was presented at this point.

[†]A second film was presented at this time.

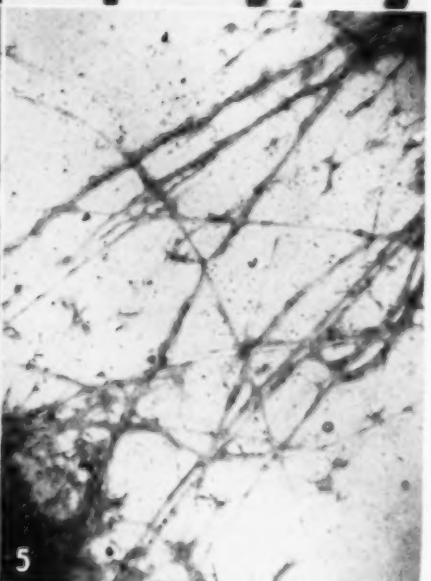
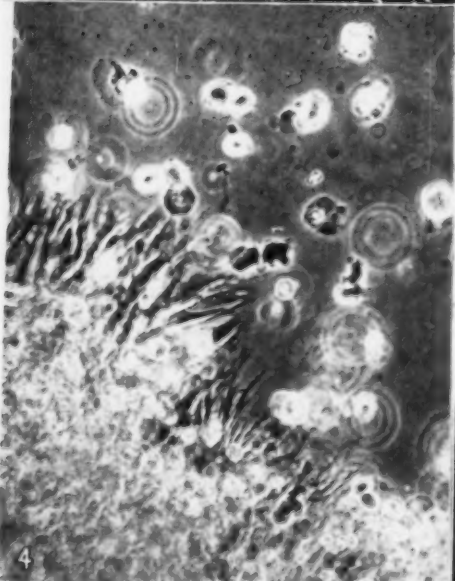
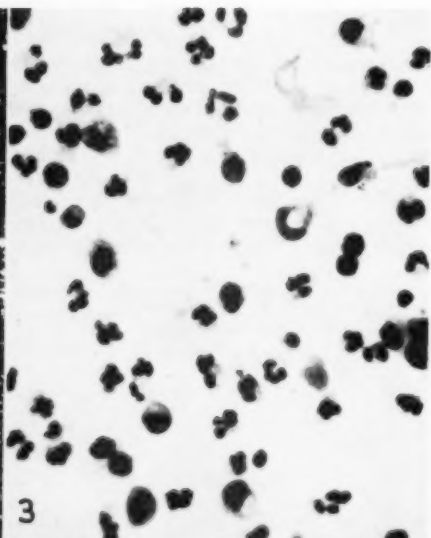
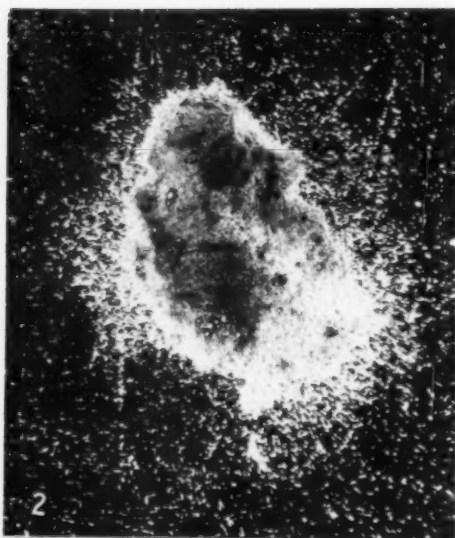


Fig. 2—Granulating tissue from a suppurative wound of a patient with a third-degree burn, after one day of culture in a Rose chamber. The large number of emigrating cells were predominantly neutrophils. $\times 24$.

Fig. 3—The same tissue shown in figure 2 but after two days in culture. The preparation was stained with Giemsa and May-Grünwald stains. Note the predominance of polymorphonuclear cells with occasional lymphocytes, monocytes, and macrophages. $\times 600$.

Fig. 4—Human granulating tissue. Living cells as seen in a one-day culture with phase contrast optics. Spindle cells, presumably fibroblasts, are seen in an early phase of emigration from the explanted tissue fragment. $\times 367$.

Fig. 5—Human granulating tissue after six weeks in culture, showing a network of connective tissue elements between two fragments. Such "feltworks" with associated acellular fibrillar deposits are believed to represent a framework which is formed for the reception of an epithelial cover. Giemsa-May-Grünwald stain. $\times 30$.

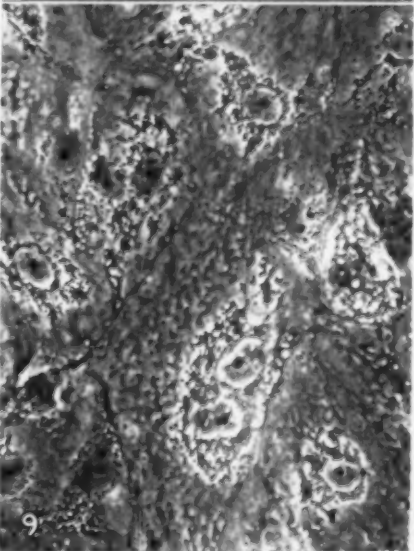
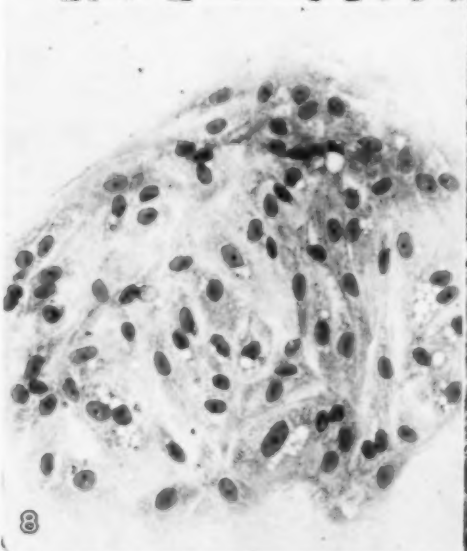
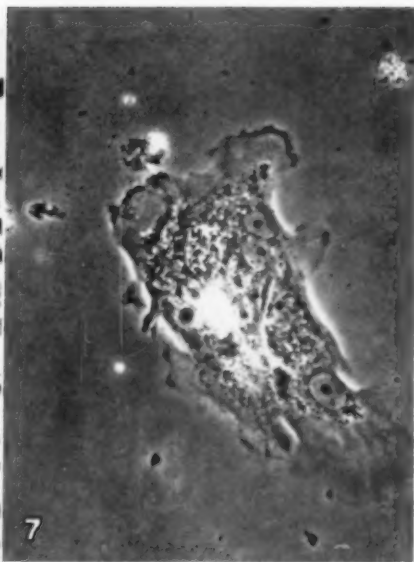
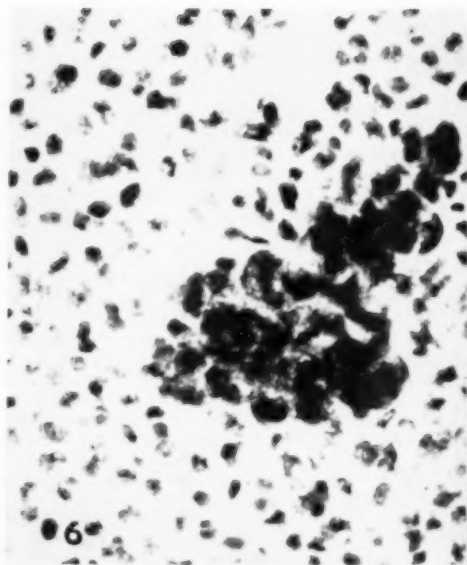


Fig. 6—Direct smear of a papillomatous cluster and leukocytes from the mammary secretion of an old bitch. Stained with Giemsa-May-Grünwald. x 500.

Fig. 7—A small group of epithelial cells in a 48-hour-old culture of a papillomatous cluster similar to the one shown in figure 6. Living preparation; phase contrast optics. x 400.

Fig. 8—Epithelial island similar to that shown in figure 7 but after four days in culture and following staining with Giemsa and May-Grünwald. x 210.

Fig. 9—Central portion of a large island of epithelial cells after nine days in vitro. Source material similar to that shown in figure 6. x 400.

somewhat like culture lines of microbes. Thus, the HeLa cell, which was derived from a human carcinoma of the cervix by Dr. George Gey at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, is routinely used in scores of laboratories in various parts of the world for cytological, virological, and chemotherapeutic investigations. The rapidly growing list of available cell strains led the Tissue Culture Association to appoint Dr. Joseph Leighton of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine to head a committee dealing with this subject. Derivatives of individual cells which provide clone strains give promise of opening a new field of mammalian cytogenetics which will parallel the brilliant work which has been done with bacteria and with Neurospora.

It has become essential in the conduct of a major program in microbiology to include a tissue culture section. What has been done with the Salk vaccine is only the beginning of the realization of what can be accomplished. The veterinarian may offer important aid in overcoming problems requiring the use of kidneys from imported monkeys for the polio vaccine, and in the quest of the most appropriate cells needed for the harvesting of other viral species.

In several medical schools, tissue culture laboratories have been developed which serve several research interests besides the area of microbiology. These are rapidly demonstrating the appropriateness of having a variety of living cells readily available for experimental purposes as a constel-

lar system in the orbit of a biological teaching and research program.

It is most satisfying to see several papers on our program which involve the use of cell culture methods as an aid in the solution of animal disease problems. It is to be hoped that veterinary schools will see fit to encourage nuclei for this type of promising cell research.

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Closing Session of the Ninety-Third Annual Meeting

Awarding of President's Service Scroll and Installation of New Officers



Retiring President Floyd Cross (right) receives the Service Scroll from Dr. J. M. Arburua, chairman of the Executive Board.



Dr. W. W. Armistead (right), dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A. and M. College, was installed as president-elect by Retiring President Floyd Cross.



General Wayne O. Kester (right) was installed as president of the AVMA by Dr. J. M. Arburua, chairman of the Executive Board.



The vice-presidents elected at San Antonio are (left to right):

Dr. K. M. Curtis, Kansas City, Kan. (zone 1); Dr. Mark W. Allam, Media, Pa. (zone 2); Dr. Kenneth Whittington, Memphis, Tenn. (zone 3); Dr. Martin D. Baum, Denver, Colo. (at large).

Dr. C. U. Duckworth, Berkeley, Calif. (zone 4) was not present when the picture was taken.

The officers of the Women's Auxiliary to the AVMA, elected at their annual meeting in San Antonio on October 16, are (left to right)—Mrs. A. E. Coombs, Skowhegan, Maine, president; Mrs. L. H. Moe, Stillwater, Okla., president-elect; Mrs. E. A. Woelffer (not present), Oconomowoc, Wis., first vice-president; Mrs. E. E. Leasure, Manhattan, Kan., second vice-president; Mrs. James Cornwell, Asheville, N. Car., third vice-president; Mrs. Frank Booth, Elkhart, Ind., secretary; Mrs. C. M. Rodgers, Blandinsville, Ill., membership secretary; Mrs. J. D. Stevens, Sequim, Wash., treasurer; and Mrs. Tom Maddox, Greenville, Ky., recorder.



Dr. Armistead Chosen President-Elect in San Antonio

The dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A. & M. College, Dr. W. W. Armistead, was elected to the office of president-elect of the AVMA at the Ninety-Third Annual Meeting in San Antonio on October 16. He succeeds Brig. Gen. W. O. Kester who was installed as president.



President-Elect W. W. Armistead

Dr. Armistead was born on Oct. 20, 1916, in Detroit, Mich. Soon after, his family moved to Columbus, Ohio, where he attended the public schools. He completed his public school education in Houston, Texas. In 1938, he received his D.V.M. from Texas A. & M. College; in 1950,

his M.Sc. from the Ohio State University; and in 1955, his Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota.

Upon graduating from Texas A. & M. College in 1938, he entered general practice. In September of 1940 he joined the clinical staff of the School of Veterinary Medicine of his alma mater and remained in that position until he entered the Veterinary Corps, U.S. Army, in 1942. He served at Fort Sill and Fort Reno, Oklahoma, and in North Africa and Italy.

In 1946, Dr. Armistead became clinician and professor at the School of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A. & M. College, and served in this capacity until he was appointed dean in 1953.

The author of over 40 scientific articles, mostly on practical subjects relating to small animal veterinary medicine and surgery, he is also a contributing author to "Questions and Answers," "Canine Surgery," and "Canine Medicine," all published by American Veterinary Publications, Evanston, Ill., in 1951, 1952, and 1953, respectively. He is a consulting editor of the *North American Veterinarian*.

Dr. Armistead joined the AVMA in 1944; he is also a member of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association, the Texas Public Health Association, the New York Academy of Science, the Conference of Public Health Veterinarians, and the Animal Disease Research Workers in the Southern States. He served as president of his state association in 1947-1948. He is a member of the veterinary fraternities Phi Zeta, Sigma Xi (research), Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Eta Sigma, and Omega Tau Sigma. Dr. and Mrs. Armistead have two sons, 13 and 16, and a daughter 11 years old.



The AVMA-sponsored luncheon for delegates of student chapters and their auxiliaries to the convention was held on Tuesday, October 16, in the Hilton Plaza Hotel.

Dr. H. E. Kingman, Jr. (standing, right), assistant executive secretary of the AVMA, presided.



Views of the Commercial Exhibit Space in the Auditorium in San Antonio



Observations on Mucosal Disease of Cattle

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MUCOSAL DISEASE as described in Iowa, in 1953,¹ has been reported in many parts of the United States and Canada. Its etiology and pathogenesis is still obscure despite numerous attempts at experimental transmission. Some reports¹⁻³ indicate only a mild reaction in animals receiving material from natural cases of the disease. Leukopenia and symptoms of the disease were reported⁴ in 7 animals that received whole blood from cattle with field cases of mucosal disease. In 1 animal, the experimental disease was fatal 37 days after exposure. Little is known of how the disease is spread, but the number of animals affected in herds is usually low and varies up to 20 per cent. The features of low morbidity, high mortality, and difficulty of experimental transmission have served to differentiate mucosal disease from virus diarrhea,^{4,5} although the pathological differences between these diseases appear to be quantitative rather than qualitative.

This report concerns observations on epizootics of mucosal disease in two herds of cattle in central Nebraska (about 100 mi. apart). In one instance, circumstances led the owner to add a number of presumably susceptible animals to the herd during the early part of the herd epizootic. These newly introduced calves failed to develop the disease.

HISTORY OF HERD A

There were 180 Hereford calves in the affected group born in the spring of 1953. The calves were on a good wintering ration of 40 per cent protein cottonseed cake and second-cutting hay which consisted of a mixture of timothy, wild hay, and clover. The epizootic of mucosal disease in the herd began the latter part of January, 1954. During the first six weeks, 19 calves died. The disease continued for five months and a total of 53 calves were visibly affected, 43 of which died.

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The initial symptom was uneasiness with the calves restlessly lying down and getting up. A profuse diarrhea developed early with considerable mucus and blood clots in the feces. There was a thick tenacious nasal discharge and slobbering. The inner surface of the lips and gums was inflamed and there were erosions and ulcers of the oral mucous membrane. Some of the calves coughed and in some there was lacrimation. Temperatures were variable but generally within normal range. One calf had a temperature of 105 F. and the next day only 102 F.

The affected calves were given therapeutic doses of various antibiotics without success. In the early part of the epizootic, death occurred after a short (less than 7 days) course of the disease. Later, many of the calves lived for several weeks, becoming progressively more emaciated. At necropsy, 1 calf had typically shallow ulcers of the mucous membrane of the hard palate and buccal areas. Similar shallow ulcers were found throughout the length of the esophagus but were not marked in the abomasum. The mucosa of the colon was markedly congested and covered with a thick mucus. There was some hemorrhage from the mucosa in the rectum.

Ten calves that had been born late were separated by a distance of about one-half mile from the main group of 180 calves. The owner reported that only 1 of the 10 calves became ill.

An interesting observation by the owner was an illness among skunks in his vicinity during the winter and spring of the same year. Some skunks were found dead and others were sick; one was evidently blind. The sick skunks, usually found around the hay stacks, were readily killed. The illness in skunks began about December, 1953, and the last sick skunk was noted about the middle of May, 1954. Unfortunately, this observation was not known until too late to obtain any material for study.

HISTORY OF HERD B

This epizootic occurred in a herd of 223 Hereford calves that had been raised on the home ranch. The calves were born in the

spring of 1955, kept on pasture during the summer, and weaned in September. From October 1 to October 10, they were fed oats, which had been raised on a nearby farm, and blocks of compressed soybean oil meal. Benzene hexachloride and chlor-dane were mixed with oil and were used to saturate burlap pads on posts in the pasture which the calves used for rubbing. In September, the calves were sprayed with the same insecticide mixture to remove lice. Beginning October 10, they were fed a ration consisting of corn, ground alfalfa raised on the same farm with no chemical fertilizer or treatment, and cottonseed pellets (the same brand of feed but a different size pellet was fed to the cows). Roughage consisted of oat hay and prairie hay fed on alternate days. The baled oat hay contained a variety of weeds, none of which could be identified as toxic, and most bales contained some growth of mold* in the outside layers.

Illness began in the calves on November 24. Affected animals refused to eat, were markedly depressed, and died after about three days. Three calves had nasal discharge and all developed diarrhea on the last day of illness. The sick calves did not respond to large doses of sulfonamides and antibiotics. Several veterinarians were consulted and various tentative diagnoses were made which included hemorrhagic septicemia, lead poisoning, and mucosal disease. The early cases were reported to have shown ulcerative stomatitis, ulcerative gastroenteritis, and localized peritonitis at necropsy.

Fifteen days after the first evidence of disease, 53 new calves were added to the group in which the disease was occurring. These calves had been raised in the vicinity but on different premises and had no previous apparent illness. Mucosal disease did not develop in any of the new calves despite continuous contact with affected animals for more than four months.

On December 15, the twenty-first day of the epizootic, 1 calf was brought to the laboratory for examination. The calf had been

sick for two days but had been chilled from a 250-mile ride in an open truck. Its temperature was 101 F. It was held for observation and during the night developed a profuse diarrhea with much mucus. It was depressed and weak and there was also a copious mucous discharge from the nostrils. Blood was taken for cell counts and chemical analyses. Twenty-four hours after arrival, the temperature was 104.1 and the general condition of the calf was very poor. It was killed for necropsy.

There were numerous shallow ulcers in the mouth, some covered with exudate, at the margin of the ventral aspect of the tongue, and numerous small ulcers in the pyloric portion of the abomasum. A few of the Peyer's patches were congested with a moderate degree of necrosis. The left parotid lymph gland was moderately enlarged and edematous but not congested. Portions of the liver and kidney were examined chemically for heavy metals and found negative. A tentative diagnosis of mucosal disease was made.

Because of experience in a previous epizootic of mucosal disease (herd A) which occurred principally in one of two groups of calves kept separate from each other, the owner was advised to separate the calves and move one group from the "affected" environment. This was possible with his facilities and because of the addition of new calves a special effort was made to study the situation.

On December 23, the thirtieth day of the epizootic, the entire group of calves was divided so that each group contained half of the original and half of the new calves. One group was moved to a new environment and fed a different brand of soybean supplement. A week later, rectal temperatures were measured in all of the calves in an attempt to learn any significant differences between the two groups. In the original lot, 120 calves had temperatures less than 104 F., 8 had temperatures of 104 to 105, and 1 had a temperature higher than 105. In the new environment, 121 calves had temperatures of less than 104, 6 had temperatures of 104 to 105, and 1 had a temperature higher than 105. Thus, there was no essential difference in temperatures of calves in the two environments. Most of the calves with elevated temperatures had no other signs of infection and there was no correlation between elevation of temperature and subsequent illness. Many

*Dr. Joseph Forgacs, Lederle Laboratories, Division of American Cyanamid Company, Pearl River, N. Y., examined a sample of the hay and found it heavily contaminated with fungi, the most prevalent being a strain of *Aspergillus chevalieri* morphologically resembling a strain of *A. chevalieri* toxic to calves. Other fungi isolated included a species each of *Scopulariopsis*, *Fusarium*, *Alternaria*, two species of *Aspergilli* and three unidentified dematiaceous fungi.

calves of both groups had diarrhea and some had mucus in the feces.

On January 10, 17 days after separation into two groups, temperatures were again taken. There was still no significant difference between the calves in the original lot or those in the new area. Results on the entire group were as follows: 180 calves had temperatures less than 104; 59 calves had temperatures of 104 to 105; and 15 had temperatures over 105. No mucus was noted in the feces, although a number of calves had diarrhea. One calf, recently dead, had lesions typical of mucosal disease.

During the epizootic, markedly sick calves were placed in a small lot as soon as noticed. Only 3 of these calves recovered and were returned to the herd. During the first three weeks, 13 calves died, the following three weeks 8 died, and 1 died each week during the following two months. During the fourth month, no new cases developed; however, in the fifth month, 2 additional calves developed the disease and died. According to the owner, calves not showing clinical disease made essentially normal gains in weight and condition.

ATTEMPTS AT TRANSMISSION

During the epizootic in herd B, materials for transmission trials were obtained at three different times. Blood and tissues were harvested from 2 calves that had died of mucosal disease, 1 of which (calf 9, table 1) had been artificially exposed on the premises during the outbreak. Blood was obtained from 7 calves with elevated temperatures, 2 of which had mild evidence of mucosal disease. None of the 7 calves showed progressive symptoms of mucosal disease and all remained alive.

The materials used for inoculation consisted of mixtures of blood and tissues from several calves. Different combinations were used with the hope that an active agent would be included.

Two steers, 12 and 17 months old, were artificially exposed twice, three weeks apart, with material from calves 1, 3, 6, and 8 (table 1) for first exposure and material from calf 1 (table 1) for second exposure. A calf, 3 months old, received only one exposure with material from calf 1 (table 1). The exposures consisted of 2 to 10 ml. of material inoculated intravenously, 1 to 2 ml. intranasally, and several drops on scarified oral mucous membrane. The

animals developed no significant symptoms such as elevated body temperature or changes in the number of circulating leukocytes.

By the thirty-fifth day of the epizootic in herd B, it had become apparent that mucosal disease was not likely to develop in the new calves added to the herd 20 days before. This led to the belief that the calves in the original herd, in which the epizootic of mucosal disease was occurring, might have been predisposed by a contributing factor which had its effect before the new calves entered the epizootic area. This idea was tested by experimental exposure of 4 calves in the herd; 2 were calves added to the herd 20 days previously and 2 were a part of the original herd. All 4 were apparently normal and had not been visibly affected with mucosal disease. An inoculum was prepared from a calf with a fatal case of mucosal disease (calf 1, table 1) and a calf showing evidence of mild illness (calf 4, table 1). The 4 calves were given the mixture of these materials intravenously and intranasally. One of these test calves, selected from the original group, became ill nine days later and died 15 days after exposure with typical lesions of mucosal disease (calf 9, table 1). The other 3 calves remained well. Fresh material from the

TABLE 1—Materials Used for Preparation of Mucosal Disease Inoculums from Herd B with Remarks on Status of Animal at Time Material Was Collected. The Various Combinations of Material Used Are Indicated in Context

Calf	Date	Materials	
		Frozen and stored except* glycerinated	-6° C.
			Remarks
1	12/16/55	Blood, lymph gland*	Died after 3 days illness
2	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. 105.5, no symptoms.
3	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. 105.4, no symptoms.
4	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. 104.5, depressed, and mucus in feces.
5	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. 104.5, no symptoms, neutropenia.
6	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. 104.8, oral lesions, diarrhea, and leukopenia.
7	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. over 104.0.
8	12/29/55	Blood taken during febrile period	Temp. over 104.2.
9	1/25/56	Blood; lesions from mouth, intestine and abomasum; liver; spleen; lymph glands; and thymus	Died 15 days after exper. exposure.

dead calf was given to another apparently normal calf of the original group in an attempt at serial transmission. This animal did not develop mucosal disease.

Since the result of experimental exposure of calves in the environment of herd B was suggestive of a predisposing factor, samples of the cottonseed cake, oats, and insecticides fed or used prior to development of mucosal disease were obtained for experiments in the laboratory. Two calves, 4-months-old, were fed the cottonseed cake and oats and were sprayed with the commercial insecticides every other day for 38 days prior to experimental exposure with mucosal disease material from calves 2, 5, 7, and 9 (table 1). These test calves remained normal. A calf, 4 months old, which was not treated with the suspected environmental elements but was exposed to the same inoculum also remained normal.

DISCUSSION

Mucosal disease has not been experimentally produced with regularity using material from naturally infected animals. This is in contrast to some other diseases of cattle with which mucosal disease has been compared, such as virus diarrhea,^{6,7} rhinotracheitis,^{8,9} and rinderpest.¹⁰ The etiology and experimental production of malignant catarrhal fever is still somewhat obscure,¹¹ although successful and serial transfer of the condition by injection of infectious material in lymph nodes has been reported.¹²

The factor of environment is involved in the development of malignant catarrhal fever under natural conditions since evidence indicates that sheep and wildebeest¹³ may serve as carriers of inapparent infection which can be transmitted to cattle. Environment may also play a role in rhinotracheitis which usually develops after cattle have been kept in feedlots for about two months.⁹ Experimental calves kept under isolated laboratory conditions and exposed to rhinotracheitis material developed only a mild reaction, whereas those similarly exposed and kept under feedlot conditions developed the typical disease.¹⁴

Our attempts at experimental transmission of mucosal disease were negative except for 1 calf which was part of the group affected with the disease. This animal died 15 days after it had received material from a calf with mucosal disease. Since 1 comparable calf that had received the same ma-

terial remained well, the significance of the positive result is uncertain.

The situation in herd B in which 53 new, presumably susceptible calves were added to a group affected with mucosal disease was an unusual opportunity to look for evidence of contagion. If direct contagion were a significant factor, mucosal disease should have developed in some of the new calves if they were susceptible. Using the data on mortality in the herd beginning one week after introduction of new calves, there was about 9 per cent mortality among the original group of calves (18 cases among 210 calves). A similar mortality among the 53 newly added calves should have yielded 4 to 5 cases of mucosal disease. The fact that none were observed seems quite significant. If credence can be given to development of mucosal disease in 1 of the 2 original calves experimentally exposed, a predisposing factor might be suspected to have existed prior to introduction of the new calves. Attempts to investigate some factors, such as cottonseed cake and oats which had been fed, and insecticidal preparations which had been used prior to the epizootic, were without result.

There was a suggestion of environmental influence in the history of the other epizootic of mucosal disease (herd A). In this epizootic, 53 of 180 calves in the main group were affected with the disease, an infection rate of nearly 30 per cent. A smaller group of 10 calves was maintained separately on the same ranch. In this group, the owner reported only 1 mild case of the disease. If a similar rate of infection had occurred in the smaller group, about 3 cases should have been observed.

A third epizootic of mucosal disease in young range cattle provides some information, although the evidence is sketchy. In this situation, illness was first observed in 6 yearling calves when the herd of over 200 was brought in from summer pasture. Fifteen head were missing and their carcasses were found in the pasture. Several more cases of illness developed, some of which were diagnosed as mucosal disease by a veterinarian whose description of lesions substantiated the diagnosis. Six calves, sick when brought in from pasture, were placed with another group of 150 apparently normal calves. Although 1 of the sick animals died, there was no evidence of contagion to the group of 150 calves presumably exposed to the infection.

Mucosal disease of cattle may be highly contagious and could exist as a subclinical infection leading to immunity. Such an immunity from a previous subclinical infection could explain failures of experimental transmission and absence of mucosal disease in the 53 new calves added to herd B.

SUMMARY

Observations have been made on mucosal disease in herds of beef calves. Attempts at experimental transmission of the disease to calves kept under laboratory conditions have been negative. One calf kept in the environment of a mucosal disease epizootic and experimentally exposed died of mucosal disease 15 days later. A similar calf treated in a like manner remained well. The attempt at transmission from the experimental calf that died was negative.

Fifty-three calves introduced during the early part of the epizootic in one herd remained well.

While the history of two herd epizootics suggested operation of environmental factors which may predispose to the disease, their existence could not be defined. The possibility of an immunity status as result of nonapparent infection must also be considered.

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Anthrax in the Wyoming Mountains

An atypical epizootic of anthrax, said to be the worse in United States history, was discovered on Aug. 19, 1956, when a practicing veterinarian, Dr. Bert Reinow of Pinedale, Wyo., reported sudden deaths in cattle and moose in the nearby mountain ranges. Investigations by state and federal officials revealed that at least 58 cattle and 18 moose had died, usually without evidence of struggling, during the first 21 days of August. One bull has died since then, on September 5.

The epizootic occurred among approximately 11,000 cattle in 22 herds on summer ranges in three national forests (Bridger, Teton, and Shoshoni) which are separated by some fences but mostly by natural barriers. The 20- by 30-mile area is 8,000 to 10,000 ft. above sea level and encloses the headwaters of three rivers (Green, Snake, and Wind), thereby constituting a serious threat to a widespread region.

Anthrax had not previously been seen in this area. The only new cattle introduced had been replacement bulls and the only feed supplement used was block salt. From 25 to 33 per cent of the dead were bulls, although the bull to cow ratio was about 4 to 100 (4%). A positive diagnosis of anthrax was made on many cattle but on only 2 of the 18 moose.

CONTROL PLANS

Since losses had stopped and the cattle would soon descend to the home ranges, it was decided that immediate vaccination was not imperative. Three control plans were suggested to the owners who unanimously favored the first. It provided for: normal return of the cattle (Oct. 1 to 10) to the home ranch, unless more losses should occur; segregation for another 10 to 14 days, or six weeks from the last death; and vaccination next spring (No. 3 intradermal spore vaccine for cattle, No. 2 for horses) of all animals to be returned to the forest

ranges. This would not interfere with normal marketing procedures.

A detail under supervision of federal veterinarian Dr. R. C. Knowles took charge, on September 11, of destroying all carcasses in the area by burning, if possible, or by burying; also of searching for new evidence of anthrax. He reported that the best source of material (from decomposed carcasses) for laboratory diagnosis was from the frontal sinuses, which were opened as in dehorning.

Other organizations aiding in the control program include the Forest Service and the Game and Fish Commission.—
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Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate and Hematocrit

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Clinicians use temperature readings and leukocyte counts to obtain general and non-specific information. The same type of information is obtainable through the use of the erythrocyte sedimentation rate (E.S.R.). Although the E.S.R. is a non-diagnostic test, that is, it denotes no specific condition, it has high clinical value. Often, one may suspect there is something wrong with an animal that is virtually asymptomatic. Indeed, this is one of the best uses for E.S.R.¹

ERYTHROCYTE SEDIMENTATION RATE

In chronic involvements of the dog, a decrease in the rate of sedimentation of the erythrocytes often points to improvement of the condition.² In this respect, men and dogs are alike.

Healthy dogs show a near-zero E.S.R. reading, although there are many exceptions to this general rule. This is also true of temperature readings; but a normal temperature does not always indicate that a patient is healthy. Likewise, an animal with a distinct, and sometimes fatal, liver involvement may have a zero E.S.R. and, perhaps, a prolonged blood-clotting time of as much as ten minutes or more.

In clinical practice, puppies that appear well and have a zero E.S.R. are frequently observed. Later, the same puppies may be

presented with a history of "just not being right." Many times these puppies, which previously had a zero or practically zero E.S.R., are now asymptomatic but show a definitely accelerated E.S.R. In such cases, we administer distemper serum and penicillin-streptomycin daily for a few days. In a large percentage of animals, this routine does not cause the E.S.R. to return to near zero immediately; however, we follow the procedure for the same reason that we carry a spare tire in our automobile. We follow this routine whether or not the puppy has had any of the present-day vaccines. We think it unwise to give permanent distemper vaccine or to perform elective surgery on young animals while the E.S.R. is appreciably accelerated.

Nevertheless, the puppy that has an elevated temperature and appears "slow" usually has few complications if the E.S.R. remains constant at practically zero. On the other hand, a near-zero E.S.R. is also found in a puppy that is about to succumb from hookworms and an inadequate diet. Apparently, if the problem is confined to parasites and malnutrition, there is virtually no fall in the E.S.R. This is true even when the hematocrit (HCT) is 10 or 15 per cent. Such cases can usually be defined satisfactorily, but not if the animal is afflicted with liver dysfunction. If the E.S.R. shows an appreciable acceleration, the clinical problem presented by the puppy is not always easy to solve.

Some old animals with nephritis have a highly accelerated E.S.R. But the animal with a chronic nephritis, whose nutrient intake has compensated for maintenance and wastage of body essentials, often shows only moderate sedimentation of erythrocytes. Decrease in the E.S.R., in nephritis, is sometimes of prognostic value.

An extremely ill animal may have a correspondingly rapid E.S.R., and the fall of the erythrocytes can be watched; in one animal it fell 125 mm. in ten minutes in a Westergren tube.

Great variations in E.S.R. are observed in animals with clinical problems. For example, it is possible to find in a dog with pyometra, 80,000 leukocytes per cubic millimeter. Should there be a profuse discharge from the uterus, the count may change to 30,000 or 35,000 per cubic millimeter in three or four days. This does not particularly indicate an improvement in the animal's condition but is mentioned as a

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variation that may be seen in a leukocyte count in a specific case. There may be distinct variations in the E.S.R. in specific disease conditions.

Erythrocyte sedimentation rate may be easily explained to the client by saying that the fall of the erythrocytes is in direct proportion to the extensiveness and seriousness of the illness. Selye³ says increased E.S.R. occurs almost always in stress situations. Others^{4,5} believe accelerated E.S.R. usually accompanies leptospirosis.

As practicing clinicians, we eagerly look forward to the day when research workers will correlate simultaneously the temperature, weight, hematocrit, blood-clotting time, leukocyte count, erythrocyte sedimentation rate, and an indicator of kidney and liver function in cases of pure distemper, pure infectious canine hepatitis, and pure *Leptospira canicola* and *Leptospira icterohaemorrhagiae* infections. One person should be able to do all these tests in less than six minutes, with the exception of the leukocyte count.

In severe distemper, the E.S.R. is accelerated, blood urea nitrogen is low, and the clotting time is three or four minutes. In cases of distemper encephalitis, the animal often appears seriously ill and usually there is a highly accelerated E.S.R. However, the animal that has lost little or no weight or hemoglobin level at the onset of the encephalitis, may have a near-zero E.S.R. Some years ago, we had examinations made of liver sections taken from 15 dogs with encephalitis, that were subjected to euthanasia; no infectious hepatitis inclusion bodies were found.

EQUIPMENT AND METHODS

We find the Westergren tubes satisfactory for making sedimentation tests. In contrast, the Wintrobe tubes do not seem to be accurate in the middle ranges of E.S.R. in our laboratory, but this may be due to occasional failure on the part of laboratory technicians to properly care for the glassware.

As a clinical screening test to determine desirability for a more accurate E.S.R. study, as with Westergren tubes, we use heparinized capillary tubes* in which to mount the column of blood. These require only a drop of blood and the results are clinically consistent. Two tubes are used for each study. As soon as the blood is drawn, the capillary tubes are filled and sealed at one end by means of a portable burner. Then they are placed vertically on a piece of adhesive tape which has

been previously mounted on a wall surface. Adding machine paper is pasted on the side to provide writing space for the animal's name and the times the E.S.R. is to be checked, the intervals being about 15, 30, and 60 minutes. If small air bubbles appear in the column of blood, false readings will result. The sedimentation is read in degrees from zero to 4 plus.

The clinical value of E.S.R. studies is high, but the cost of the test and equipment is low. Three Westergren tubes and rack will cost \$10; the Aloe heparinized capillary tubes cost less than 2 cents each.

HEMATOCRIT

Hemoglobin, erythrocyte count, and hematocrit (HCT) or packed cell volume all furnish the clinician with the same general, nonspecific information.

Hematocrit tests made with Wintrobe tubes and a centrifuge (3,000 r.p.m.) require 30 minutes. However, considerable time can be saved, with no loss of accuracy, through the use of a high-speed capillary centrifuge (10,000 r.p.m.), with columns of blood in sealed heparinized tubes which produce an HCT reading in three and one-half minutes. The capillary centrifuge machine† has a capacity of 24 tubes and costs \$175. The disposable capillary tubes are the same type as are used in the E.S.R. screening test.

Considerable error has occurred in clinical erythrocyte counts and in clinical routine color-matching hemoglobin determinations,^{6,7} whereas the capillary hematocrit test is quite accurate, the margin of error being less than 2 per cent.

Generally speaking, when blood of a mature healthy animal is centrifuged with an anticoagulant to allow maximum packing of the cells, the column is approximately half erythrocytes and half plasma (HCT 50%). Sometimes the normal HCT may go as high as 55 per cent. In our practice, in the average well-cared for, virtually parasite-free puppy, it is around 35 per cent, while in those best cared for it is in the lower 40 per cent. Highly parasitized and poorly fed puppies, about to succumb, may have a HCT as low as 10 per cent. In two exceptional cases, puppies with a 6 per cent HCT survived.

In severely dehydrated animals, the HCT is of particular value in determining the daily clinical progress. There is a correlation between the elevated hematocrit, the amount of dehydration, and the weight.

*Manufactured by the A. S. Aloe Co., St. Louis, Mo., No. 23922.

†Manufactured by International Equipment Co., Boston.

Also, in disease situations there may be any combination of a decrease in the erythrocytes being produced and an increase in the number being destroyed. There is also an early correlation between the ill animal that is daily losing weight or hematocrit level, or both. This alone makes the entire routine worthwhile.

Recently, an extremely ill dog, 12 years old, was presented with a history of vomiting for two days. The HCT was 65. The animal was hydrated and in 48 hours the HCT was 42, which was normal for this dog. No other treatment was necessary.

The animal with jaundice (leptospirosis or phosphorus poison) may show an almost unbelievable range of the HCT during the course of the illness. The serum in the capillary tube from the normal dog is colorless, that from a jaundiced animal is colored. However, jaundice occasionally is detected in the serum before it is evident on routine examination of the animal.

One of the most fascinating procedures I know is to run a series of HCT and weight checks of the growing puppy; with us, this has become clinical routine. Diet, weight, and hemoglobin formation are found to be closely related.

An excellent correlation was found to occur⁸ between the hemoglobin, HCT, and erythrocyte counts. In our clinic, we made a check of more than 600 hemoglobin determinations with the colorimeter, and HCT determinations with the high-speed capillary hematocrit machine and the results were similar.

In the mature animals, we record the HCT, the weight, and the results of the urine tests. These records permit comparative evaluations of an animal at a later date. In growing dogs, weight increase is important, but weight and hematocrit readings *together* are an indication of the rate of growth. Often one sees, especially after many illnesses, animals whose weight or weight gain is satisfactory but whose HCT is not adequate. In practically every clinical problem of the small animal, these two determinations are of value and are best made simultaneously.

No early correlation occurs between blood loss and hemoglobin or HCT levels in the mature animal, for this is a problem in blood volume.⁹ However, in the severely anemic animal, and especially in the young anemic puppy, there is usually an almost immediate correlation between the HCT,

the hemoglobin reading, and the volume of a blood infusion. We use 8 cc. of whole blood or 10 cc. of A.C.D.[‡] blood per pound of body weight. Usually when a transfusion is given, the animal does not maintain the HCT level supplied by the transfused blood. On the other hand, we recently transfused 240 cc. of whole blood or 300 cc. of A.C.D. blood every other day for four infusions into a 56-lb. dog suffering from chronic nephritis and probably from heartworm pneumonia. The HCT before the infusion was 29 per cent and it did not materially increase. Two weeks later, however, the dog showed definite improvement in general well-being and in HCT level. Although the HCT did not improve immediately, probably the actual blood volume of the animal did.

The HCT of 2 Boston Terriers that had cesarotomies at our clinic was 23 and 28 per cent, respectively, before anesthesia. Each received 240 cc. of whole blood at the beginning of the operation. Two weeks later, the HCT of 1 had increased from 23 to 47 per cent, the other from 28 to 42 per cent. Incidentally, at the time of the operations each was given, in addition to the blood, 300 cc. of a water-dextrose-electrolyte combination. If, prior to doing a cesarotomy the HCT is 30 per cent or less, a blood transfusion is given during the operation.

In another recent case, we performed a cesarotomy and a panhysterectomy on a 20-lb. Boston Terrier which had experienced four previous cesarotomies. A severe hemorrhage occurred during surgery. She was given 480 cc. of whole blood and 300 cc. of an electrolyte combination intravenously. Her HCT was 39 per cent before anesthesia and remained at that level for the next four days. She ate and took care of her puppies in a normal manner.

Good clinical use can be made of the simultaneous hematocrit and weight determination in almost every examination of the animal.

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Mosquitoes and Dirofilaria Tenuis.—The infected larvae of *Dirofilaria tenuis* (Chandler, 1942) were found in the proboscis of certain mosquitoes ten to 12 days after a blood meal on infected raccoons. Attempts to infect young raccoons with bites from infected mosquitoes were inconclusive. — *J. Parasitol.*, Aug., 1956.

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Ducks kept on a fluke-infested pasture will help prevent infection in host animals by eating many of the snails, thus interrupting the life cycle of the flukes. — *Ayrshire Dig.*, Aug. 15, 1956.

A New Tailless Breed of Sheep.—A breed of sheep that requires no docking has been developed at the South Dakota Experiment Station by crossing native breeds with fat-rumped, tailless sheep originally imported from the steppes of Siberia in 1913. When the no-tail breed is crossed with other breeds, the tails of the lambs average 6½ to 8 inches at birth, about 2 inches less than normal. — *Breeder's Gaz.*, Oct., 1956.

Chinchilla News Resumed.—After several months in which news of the Chinchilla Association of America was carried in the American Fur Breeder, that arrangement has been cancelled. The reason given is that many of those who market chinchilla pelts are unwilling to "sell their pelts for what they are instead of for what the promoters

... would like them to be." These people seem to feel that they must perpetuate the idea that chinchilla is a "precious fur." At public sales, a high percentage of pelts offered have not been sold even after close culling and grading. — *Am. Fur Breeder*, Sept., 1956.

Honeybees Have Real Estate Agents.—When a newly formed swarm of bees wishes to move from the old colony, they dispatch experienced forager bees as scouts to select a new home. Upon return, several scouts report at the same time by dancing before the swarm. Their enthusiasm for the new location is indicated by the length and vivacity of the dance which may last an hour or more. After several days, a decision is made and the swarm moves to the chosen location. — *Sci. News Letter*, Sept. 15, 1956.

Tranquilizing Drugs and Fighting Fish.—A simple method of evaluating tranquilizing drugs was sought. By dissolving the drug in water, nine of 12 agents tested produced depression in Siamese fighting fish, and with seven drugs they were unwilling to fight. Morphine sulfate and sodium salicylate increased their aggressiveness. — *Science*, Sept. 7, 1956.

The nutria (South American beaver) breeding business may be following the pattern previously followed by promoters of chinchillas. Buyers are warned to "beware of nutria sellers." — *Fur Breeder*, Aug. 11, 1956.

An Ayrshire cow, 4 years old, recently produced 23,458 lb. of milk and 915 lb. of butterfat in 305 days. This is a new milk record for twice-a-day milking for all breeds at that age. — *Ayrshire Dig.*, Sept. 15, 1956.

"The man who sits up all night with a sick cow, or catches catnaps on a cot in the hog-farrowing house on a cold winter's night, is just as much a humanitarian as the person who rescues a cat from a tall tree." — *Livestock Conservation, Inc.*, Chicago, Ill.

Starling flocks sometimes contain 60,000 birds. — *Sci. News Letter*, Sept. 29, 1956.

Three Tumors of the Bovine Uterus

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TUMORS OF reproductive organs of cows are rare and of little economic significance in the cattle industry. The authors' experience has been that metastatic tumors of lymphoid origin usually affect the uterus. According to reports⁴ of the U.S.D.A., the epithelioma, a squamous cell carcinoma, is the most common tumor of cattle; however, in Wisconsin the tumor that most commonly involves general health seems to be the lymphosarcoma. Squamous cell carcinomas are usually subject to early surgical removal. Our collection includes neither tumors of the cervix nor primary tumors of the udder.

A few bovine vaginal tumors examined appeared to be benign, but they were microscopically malignant. The reproductive organ of the cow usually affected with primary tumors in the ovary.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

In his review of the literature, Feldman¹ found records of nine carcinomas of the bovine uterus,

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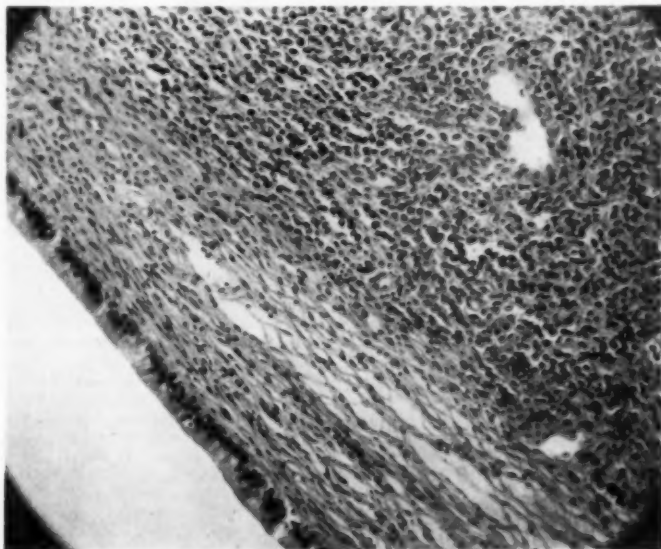
but reported none in his own collection. He did not state whether these were primary tumors or if they affected the cervix or the uterus proper. In 1936, the collection of neoplasms of domesticated animals at Onderstepoort, South Africa, was said² to be "one of the most complete in the world, and certainly the largest in any tropical or subtropical country." At that time, the collection consisted of about 3,000 specimens. A single bovine uterine tumor, a histiocytic sarcoma, was mentioned but was not described.

Monlux *et al.*³ described 26 cases of adenocarcinoma of the uterus of the cow; 22 had lung metastases, 21 had lymph node metastases, and 14 had peritoneal metastases.

CASE REPORTS

The following report is on uterine tumors from 3 cows. The first of these affected animals was a 5-year-old Holstein-Friesian that had given birth to 4 normal calves one year apart. Her uterus had involuted normally within 30 to 60 days after each calving, except the last on Feb. 9, 1952. Two months after this last calving, firm masses could be palpated in the uterus. Because the cow developed mastitis in all quarters and was losing weight, she was sent to slaughter.

Fig. 1—Reticulum cell sarcoma in the endometrium of a cow, with displacement of granular elements, $\times 131.25$.



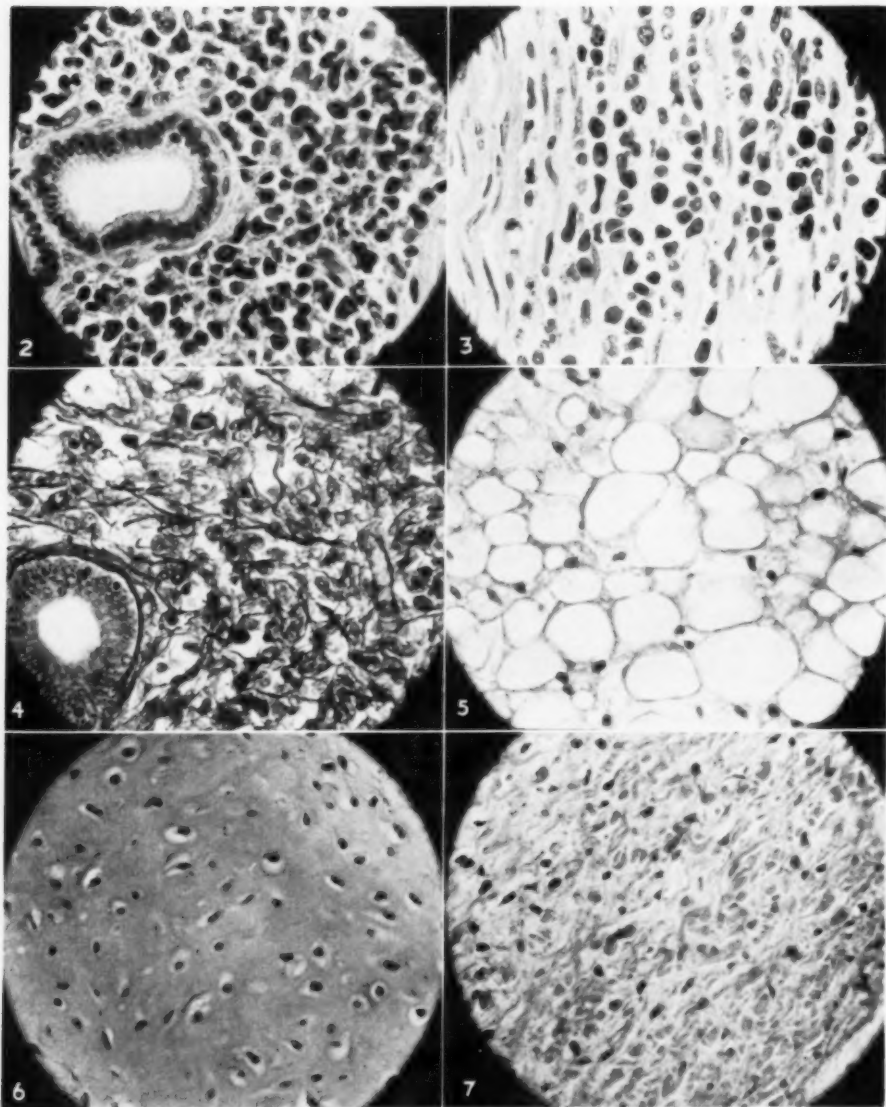


Fig. 2—Neoplastic reticulum cells surrounding an endometrial gland. x 400.

Fig. 3—Neoplastic reticulum cells invading the myometrium. x 400.

Fig. 4—Reticulum stain; Foot's modification of Bielschowsky's method, showing extensive reticulum network; bovine reticulum cell sarcoma. x 400.

Fig. 5—Fatty tissue elements in mixed tumor in a cow. x 300.

Fig. 6—Cartilaginous elements in mixed tumor of bovine uterus. x 300.

Fig. 7—Connective tissue component of mixed tumor of uterus. Tissue essentially collagenous. x 300.

Only the uterus from the animal was obtained for examination, although the postmortem inspection record showed there were tumors in the liver, lungs, and the

mesenteric and retroperitoneal lymph nodes similar to the one in the uterus.

Grossly, the uterus was enlarged, the walls were thickened, and contained grayish

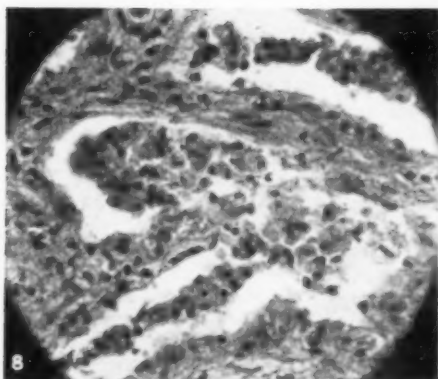


Fig. 8—Hemangioma of endometrium characterized by papillary folds lined by endothelial cells, $\times 300$.

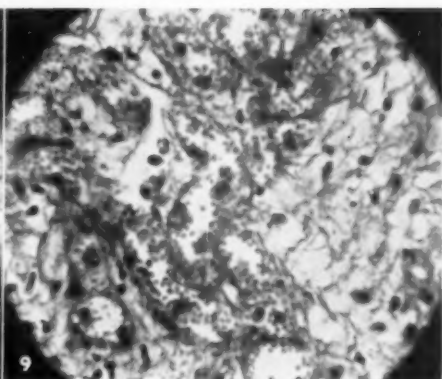


Fig. 9—Hemangioma of bovine endometrium showing angiomatous spaces containing erythrocytes, $\times 300$.

tan tissue elevations. The caruncular areas were also displaced by this firm neoplastic tissue. A mass of the tumor extended ventrally to the bladder and surrounded a tubular structure which was believed to be the ureter. The transverse diameter of this new growth at its widest point was 8 cm. Tissues taken for histopathological study were fixed in Mossman's fixative. Microscopic examination revealed an anaplastic tumor composed of cells containing nuclei which varied in size, shape, and staining quality (fig. 1, 2). The cells contained moderate to scant amounts of cytoplasm. Many of the cells appeared stellate, with a suggestion of processes being extruded from them. The uterine glands and epithelium of the endometrium, neither of which had undergone neoplasia, were mainly displaced by the neoplastic growth. Neoplastic cells had invaded and displaced the myometrium (fig. 3), and islands of tumor cells were found in many lymph channels.

Reticulum stains, periodic acid, leukofuchsin, and Foot's modification of Bielschowsky's method (fig. 4) revealed an extensive reticulum fiber network among the cells within the nests of cells and a suggestion of fine reticulum fibers streaming from many of the anaplastic cells. The diagnosis may be either a stromal cell or reticulum cell sarcoma but the latter is favored by the authors.

The second affected animal was a Holstein-Friesian heifer. The limited history indicated that three similarly appearing tumor masses were removed from the uter-

us following a dystocia. Two of the tumors were 15 cm. in diameter and the third was 30 cm. Since these tissues were not strongly adherent to the endometrium, the practitioner asked if they might represent an "undeveloped twin." Microscopic examination revealed tissue consisting primarily of cartilaginous elements, fat, blood vessels, and connective tissue (fig. 5, 6, 7). The diagnosis was mixed tumor.

The third affected animal was slaughtered two months after she should have calved. The veterinarian reported that the "gravid horn" seemed normal, but the body of the uterus was greatly thickened, doughy to the touch and its endometrial surface felt rough, almost like a rasp.

Microscopic examination revealed an endometrium composed of papillary folds containing spaces lined by a single layer of endothelial cells. The material contained in the spaces consisted of red cells, necrotic amorphous debris, and some calcific deposits (fig. 8, 9). The diagnosis was hemangioma.

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Actinobacillosis of Cattle

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OCCURRENCE of actinobacillosis, a granulomatous disease of cattle and other animals, due to *Actinobacillus lignieresii*, has been reported by workers from many countries throughout the world.⁴⁻⁹ Moreover, *A. lignieresii* has been recovered from fatal cases of *Actinobacillus* bacteremia encountered in man.^{10,11} Reference was made recently¹ to the importance of the disease, its rapid spread where control measures are neglected, methods of handling it, and to recommended treatments. Actinobacillosis is becoming more prevalent in Florida cattle, as reported by practicing veterinarians. Clinical and pathological similarity of this bacterial disease to certain stages of rarefying osteitis, due to *Actinomyces bovis*, make it important to differentiate the two conditions. Apart from isolation of the microorganism, clinical differentiation is based upon tissue structures involved. Lesions due to ray fungus and to actinobacillosis may occur simultaneously within the same animal or herd, but the latter condition is commonly confined to the soft tissues and does not involve bone structures as does actinomycosis.

The causative microorganism of actinobacillosis may be readily isolated from characteristic lesions. The literature reveals confusing discrepancies regarding pathogenic, antigenic, and biochemical characteristics of different strains of *Actinobacillus*. This may tend to leave doubt regarding the over-all importance of the disease among cattle. For this reason, it seemed desirable to reinvestigate the actinobacillosis problem in cooperation with practicing veterinarians located in different sections of Florida.

CLINICAL OBSERVATIONS

The following description of the disease as it developed in a herd of beef cattle in the lower central section of Florida is typical. During May, 1954, a bull with a

subcutaneous granulomatous lesion of the mandible region was introduced, for breeding purposes, among a herd of beef heifers under semirange conditions. Within five months, 8 to 10 heifers had developed discernible granulomatous swellings of the anterior cervical region. Other similar cases developed later. The lesions would often rupture and discharge their contents. The affected cattle usually remained in good physical condition, particularly during the early phases of the disease. To prevent the spread of the infection, the owner eventually resorted to slaughter of affected animals. Thus, approximately 35 were disposed of for beef purposes.

In the meantime, a veterinary diagnosis was established. The affected cattle showed characteristic granulomatous lesions, up to 12 cm. in diameter, which were confined to the soft tissues.

Representative samples of the diseased tissue were removed surgically, packed in ice, and forwarded to the Department of Veterinary Science, Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, for study. The subcutaneous lesions (fig. 1) consisted of a tough fibrous capsule, 1 to 3 cm. thick, surrounding soft grayish, mucoid suppurative material. This material, when examined with aid of a dissecting microscope, was found to contain a variable amount of granular-like substance. The older lesions were firm in consistency, with a capsule composed of several distinct concentric layers of connective tissue.

Excised disease tissue was seared, macerated in a sterile grinder, diluted with saline, and plated for isolation of microorganisms on blood-agar and brain-heart infusion mediums. Study of the colonial morphology of the organisms grown on the above mediums revealed three distinct variants, representing fluorescent, granular, and dwarf types. Detailed biochemical and cell morphological studies proved the microorganism to be *A. lignieresii*.

The pathogenicity of the freshly isolated *A. lignieresii* for cattle is summarized (table 1). The organism was cultured on Albimi agar plates for 48 hours at 37 C., washed off in saline, and standardized to a preferred density.

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Fig. 1—Granulomatous lesions of the cervical region excised from cattle with naturally acquired actinobacillosis. Necrotic center surrounded by fibrous tissue is evident.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Five bulls, 6 to 9 months old, were inoculated subcutaneously on either side of the neck with 5 ml. of the saline suspension of the organism and held under

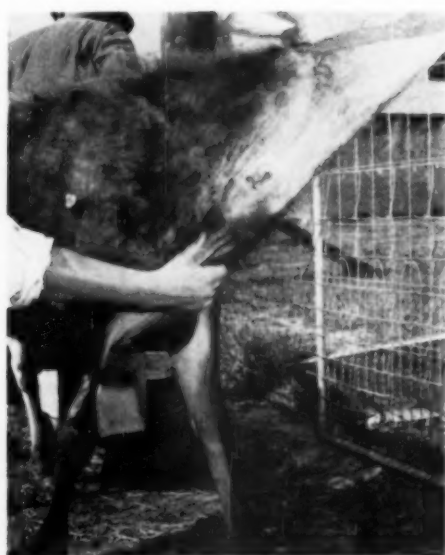


Fig. 2—Developing cervical granuloma at inoculation site three months following injection of *Actinobacillus lignieresii*.

observation in isolation pens. Two of the 5 developed clinical granulomas at the site of injection within three months (fig. 2), and pure cultures of *A. lignieresii* were recovered from the lesions. During the fourth month following the injection, 1 of the 2 began to lose condition, developed severe respiratory difficulties characterized by labored breathing, nasal and lacrimal discharges, and succumbed within a week.

TABLE 1—Results of Subcutaneous, Intramuscular, and Oral Exposure of Young Cattle to *Actinobacillus Lignieresii*

Inoculated	No. of animals	Dosage	Period before clinical actinobacillosis noticed	No. of animals infected (bacteriological and clinical evidence)	Remarks
Subcutaneously.	5	5 ml.*	3 months.	2	Both developed cervical granulomas at the inoculation sites; 1 also showed pulmonary infection.
Intramuscularly (tongue, hard palate, and cheek).	3	3 ml. (1 ml. each respective site).	All negative.
Orally.	2	50 ml. (saline suspension of infected tissues).	All negative.

Experiment terminated six months following exposure.

*Counts of the several suspensions used were 4.5×10^6 cells per milliliter.

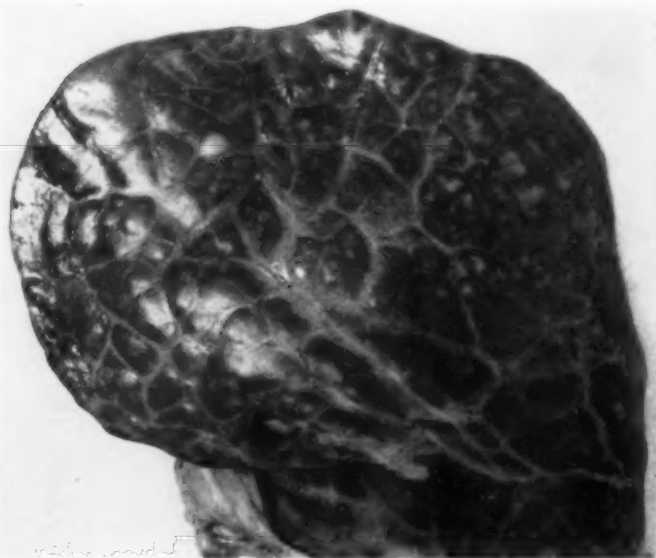


Fig. 3—Bovine lung three months following subcutaneous inoculation of *Actinobacillus lignieresii*, strain FM. Numerous minute, shotlike, yellowish white nodules are present.

On necropsy, the lung surface of this animal exhibited numerous minute, shotlike, yellowish white nodules (fig. 3). Upon sectioning the lung, a number of areas containing similar nodular lesions were observed throughout its substance. Pure

cultures of *A. lignieresii* were obtained from these nodules. Histopathologically, the affected tissue revealed numerous necrotic foci, containing rosettes surrounded by inflammatory cells and granulation tissue (fig. 4).

Three additional cattle, inoculated intramuscularly in the tongue, hard palate, and cheeks with a 1-ml. suspension of the organism in each respective site, developed no local lesions and remained in good health for six months, at which time the experiment was terminated. Also, material prepared from infective tissue, by reduction to fine particles in a Waring blender, failed to reproduce the disease when administered as a drench to 2 yearling bulls. The 10 test animals were held under controlled conditions in a screened, insectproof, isolation building having individual stalls of galvanized iron panels set in concrete floors.

DISCUSSION

The mode of natural infection and metastatic activity of the several colonial variants of *Actinobacillus lignieresii* and the methods of treatment of actinobacillosis are in need of further intensive investigation.

Favorable clinical response has been reported to intravenous sodium iodide

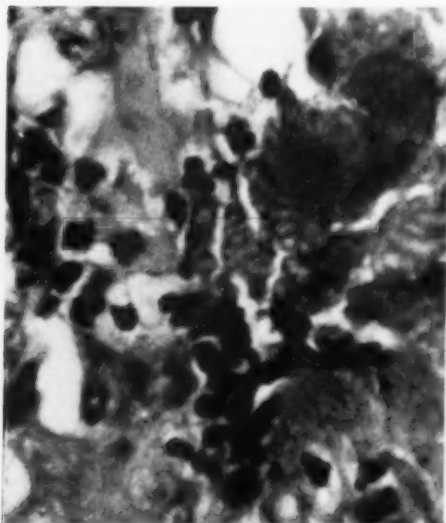


Fig. 4—Club-bearing rosettes surrounded by lymphocytes and granulating tissue, from an animal naturally infected with *Actinobacillus lignieresii*.

therapy in actinomycosis and actinobacillosis² and to parenteral use of streptomycin for actinomycosis.³

Complete surgical removal or injection of iodine into the central mass of the diseased tissue, or both, proved valuable in arresting the proliferating process. Observations on *in vitro* sensitivity of 14 selected strains of *A. lignieresii* to antibiotics and chemotherapeutic agents showed that aureomycin,[®] terramycin,[®] and chloromycetin[®] inhibited growth in the lowest dilutions studied.

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A Bovine Mucosal Disease in Britain.—A disease characterized by ulcers of the mouth and alimentary tract has been encountered on 35 farms in Britain since 1953. It has been diagnosed as "acorn poisoning," "dirty mouth," or malignant catarrh. It is associated with fever, leukopenia, foot and skin lesions, and abortions. It has been reproduced experimentally. Of the mucosal type diseases described in America, it most closely resembles virus diarrhea, New York, but there is less salivation and nasal discharge. There are probably many mild undetected cases.—*Vet. Rec., Sept. 15, 1956.*

A Quill Mite of Poultry— A Case Report

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During the past year, 7 cases of quill mite in chickens were diagnosed at the New Jersey State Poultry Laboratory in Vineland. The mite, identified as *Syringophilus bipe tinatus*, was found infesting commercial flocks of White Leghorn and Plymouth Rock birds ranging in age from 9 months to 2 years. This is the first time *S. bipe tinatus* has been found in this area, and is the first record of it from chickens in the United States since it was reported in five flocks of chickens and in turkeys and golden pheasants in Ohio in 1932.¹

The flocks were raised on separate farms located in three adjacent counties of New Jersey. Of 29 birds examined, 22 (76%) were infested. The owners were not aware of the presence of the mite in their flocks at the time they submitted the birds to the laboratory for postmortem examination. There apparently had been no direct contact between the birds on the several farms, and it was not possible to determine the effect of the parasitism on the rate of egg production because the flocks had suffered from diseases which invariably lower egg production.

The appearance of the plumage of the infested birds was unusual. Many of the small body feathers were missing and some of the large tail and wing feathers were broken, giving the birds the appearance of molting. The most striking feature, however, was in the quills where the normal transparent pith had been replaced by a brownish powder. It was in this powder or debris that the adult, the nymphal, and the larval stages of the mite were found.

Syringophilus bipe tinatus was first reported from Europe in 1880² when it was found in the quills of chickens and pigeons. Up to 90 per cent of the chickens examined in the province of Schleswig-Holstein were parasitized. A detailed description of the mite, together with methods for preservation and staining, was given in 1882.³ It

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was first reported in the United States in 1895⁴ when it was found on the feathers of the black flycatcher *Phainopepla nitens*.

Syringophilus bipunctatus is a slender mite of medium length with a cone-shaped anterior end and a rounded posterior end. While alive, it is ovoid-to-cylindrical on cross section. Measurements on mounted specimens show adults up to 1.0 mm. in length by 0.19 to 0.27 mm. in width; nymphs up to 0.79 mm. in length by 0.11 to 0.25 mm. in width; and larvae up to 0.59 mm. in length with a width up to 0.22 mm. The cuticle is finely striated and has a moderate number of simple setae of various lengths arranged in a specific pattern over the body and appendages. The peritremes are lateral between the second and third coxae. The anal orifice is terminal.

The gnathosoma, which forms the anterior part of the mite, bears the mouth parts together with a pair of protrusible chelicerae and a pair of pedipalpi. The latter structure projects forward to about the anterior end of the outstretched anterior pair of legs. The chelicerae are slender, medium lengthed, stylet-like structures which terminate as a lateral, movable, four-barbed blade, and a medium, slightly shorter, needle-like digit (magnification $\times 1,000$ or greater). The pedipalpi are conspicuous, composed of five articles, and are inserted on a midlateral expansion of the gnathosoma. On the anterior end of the fifth article (tarsus), there is a short anteriorly projecting, club-shaped sensory structure and two ventrally curved guard bristles. The shorter, cone-shaped, first and second pairs of legs are on the anterior third of the body (propodosoma), and the longer third and fourth pairs occur on the middle third of the body (metapodosoma). The terminus (tarsus) of each leg has a pair of claws and a pair of comblike pulvilli. The latter is distinctive of the mite and, because of the appearance of this structure, the name *bipunctatus* was chosen for the species.

It is believed⁵ that the mite enters the quill through the upper umbilicus, which remains open until the quill fuses to the shaft, and makes its exit through the inferior umbilicus after the feather is shed. No definite information, however, exists about the manner in which the parasites infest the host and, consequently, no specific method for its control has ever been described, although apparently it would be advisable to dispose of affected birds and clean and disinfect their quarters.⁶

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Turkey Erysipelas and Antibiotics

The effectiveness of several antibiotics, of sulfamezathine, and of furazolidone against *Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae* was tested (1) *in vitro*, (2) in experimentally infected day-old chicks, and (3) in experimentally infected turkeys.

In the *in vitro* test, penicillin, oxytetracycline, chlortetracycline, and furazolidone were highly effective, while streptomycin and chloramphenicol were moderately effective and sulfamezathine was completely ineffective. In the infected chicks and turkeys, only oxytetracycline in oil (100 mg./kg.) and benzathine penicillin were effective in single doses (given intramuscularly). Other forms of these two antibiotics were effective but only in multiple doses.

In infected turkeys, the effective single dose of benzathine penicillin (16,000 units/kg.) was much smaller than the effective dose in chicks (160,000 units/kg.). Treated turkeys were completely resistant to reinfection and no lesions were found on necropsy.—H. Williams Smith in *J. Comp. Path. and Therap.*, April, 1956.

Virus Pneumonia of Pigs.—Antibiotics have been ineffective against viruses except those of the psittacosis-lymphogranuloma group and the "gray-lung" virus of mice. However, experiments show that virus pneumonia of swine can be prevented when chlortetracycline or oxytetracycline is injected into pigs a few hours before they are inoculated with suspensions of infected tissue. Streptomycin was slightly beneficial but all other antibiotics and sulfonamides tested were ineffective. None of these agents had any effect once infection was established, nor were they active against the infective agents *in vitro*.—*J. Comp. Path. and Therap.*, April, 1956.

Tetracycline, which has shown excellent prophylactic activity against virus pneumonia in pigs, failed to reduce the pneumonic lesions, as compared with untreated controls, once the infection was established.—*Vet. Rec.*, Sept. 8, 1956.

What Is Your Diagnosis?

Because of the interest in veterinary radiology, a case history and accompanying radiographs depicting a diagnostic problem are usually published in each issue of the JOURNAL.

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Fig. 1—Chest radiograph,
lateral view.



Fig. 2—Chest radiograph,
dorsoventral view.



History.—A mixed breed, male dog, 2 years old, was well until three or four months before examination. During that period, a progressive expiratory dyspnea had developed, but the dog was otherwise quite normal. Ventrodorsal and lateral radiographs of the chest were taken.

(Diagnosis and findings are reported on next page)

Here Is the Diagnosis

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Radiological Diagnosis.—A circumscribed mass is present, either in or around the trachea, slightly anterior to the base of the heart.

Necropsy.—A nodular mass 1.5 cm. in diameter was found, involving the wall of the trachea just anterior to the bifurcation and nearly occluding the lumen. On incision, the lesion contained esophageal worms, *Spirocerca lupi*.

Authors' Notes.—An exploratory thoracotomy proved the lesion to involve the tracheal wall just anterior to the bifurcation. Due to the location and extension of the mass, it was thought to be inoperable and euthanasia was performed.

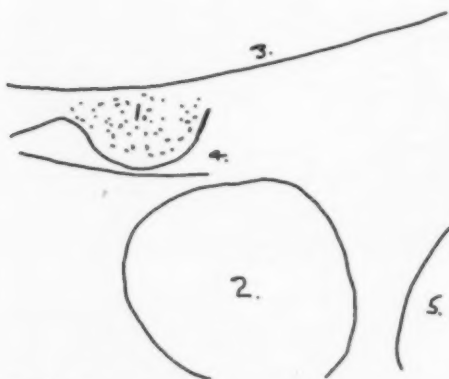


Fig. 1—Drawing of chest of the dog: (1) tumor; (2) heart; (3) spinal column; (4) trachea; (5) diaphragm.

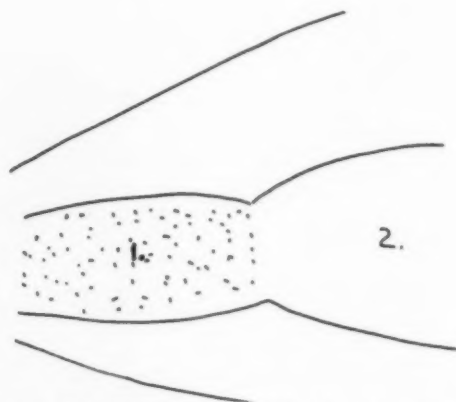


Fig. 2—Drawing of chest of the dog: (1) tumor; (2) heart.

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Ecological and Epizootiological Studies on Canine Coccidioidomycosis

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IN THE ENDEMIC areas, man and many other animal species become infected by *Coccidioides immitis*. Until recently, few cases of canine coccidioidomycosis had been reported,¹⁻¹¹ even though there is evidence that dogs are among the more susceptible of the lower animals. In southern Arizona, from October, 1952, to July, 1955, 52 cases were diagnosed in dogs.¹²

In central Arizona, from September, 1954, to May, 1956, one of the authors (K. T. M.) observed more than 100 canine cases of disseminated coccidioidomycosis. Other evidence indicates that most dogs in central and southern Arizona eventually become infected, but many are asymptomatic. Canine coccidioidomycosis seems more prevalent than hitherto supposed.

The development of coccidioidomycosis among a group of dogs in Tucson presented an opportunity to investigate the epidemiology and to study the ecology of the mycological agent, *C. immitis*.

Five related, purebred Collies (dogs A-E) were involved in the epizootic. In the autumn of 1952, the owner and her 5 dogs moved from Detroit, Mich., to a suburban foothill area where homes were scattered in tracts of desert land. The dogs were allowed the freedom of the back yard which was enclosed by a masonry wall. Occasionally, they were exercised on leash along the front driveway.

CLINICAL HISTORY

The dogs were given routine veterinary care from the time of their arrival. Dog A, a 7-year-old male, first showed illness late in April, 1954 (18 mo. after arrival). A slight fever, accompanied by diarrhea, vomiting, and inflamed tonsils, was treated symptomatically, with good response. Two weeks later, his temperature increased to 105.2 F. and persisted for 96 hours when he died. Cardiac embarrassment was marked during the terminal 24 hours. Permission for necropsy was denied.

From the Communicable Disease Center, Public Health Service, U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Atlanta, Ga. (Ajello, Maddy, and Moore); the College of Agriculture, University of Arizona, Tucson (Reed); and Dr. Budurin is a practitioner in Tucson, Ariz.

Dog B, a 2-year-old female, had periods of vomiting and anorexia in the spring of 1953, but whelped a normal litter in August. She became more seriously ill in September, 1954. She developed persistent anorexia, vomiting, intermittent fever, a mild cough, and signs of cardiac insufficiency, including edema of the hindlegs. Dorsoventral and lateral thoracic radiographs revealed an enlarged heart shadow, increased density of bronchial shadows, and a few small, dense foci in lung parenchyma (fig. 1, 2). Heart sounds were muffled. She died in October. The necropsy findings, which will be described, revealed disseminated coccidioidomycosis.

Dog C, a 3-year-old female, began showing unthriftiness in February, 1954, and continued to lose weight until early in September when she developed intermittent fever, anorexia, vomiting, pleural sounds, and weakened rapidly. She became stiff in the hindlegs, and diarrhea and ascites developed late in October. A coccidioidin skin test, using 0.1 ml. of undiluted coccidioidin* intradermally into the fold of the flank, proved positive at the end of 48 hours.† She was in extremis when euthanasia was carried out on December 10. Necropsy was not permitted.

Dog D, an 8-year-old female, suffered a period of vomiting in April, 1954. She responded to treatment, but her general condition remained poor. In November, a coccidioidin skin test was positive. Exacerbation occurred in January, 1955. Diarrhea and pharyngitis were controlled, but anorexia and fever with occasional vomiting and coughing persisted for the next six months. A second skin test, in March, evoked a greater reaction. She was markedly improved by December, 1955, but râles in the lower thorax continued in association with muffled heart sounds. A coccidioidin-sensitivity test in April, 1956, evoked a 4+ reaction.

Dog E, a 9-year-old female, showed fever, dyspnea, and some evidence of cardiac insufficiency for a 24-hour period in May, 1955. Recovery was apparently complete. On her first coccidioidin-sensitivity test, several months prior to her illness, the reaction was less than 5 mm.; on the second test, in April, 1956, it was 3+ with an induration of 20 mm.

One of the pups whelped in Tucson has been asymptomatic but now is positive to coccidioidin.

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†Reactions of 5 mm. or more in diameter are considered positive.

GROSS PATHOLOGY—DOG B

The body was moderately emaciated. Edema of the hindlegs was less marked than it had been some time before death. Generalized passive congestion was evident throughout the thoracic and abdominal viscera.

Lungs.—A few pale gray, stellate scars, suggestive of current granulomatous activity, were widely distributed over the pleural surfaces as were several raised, translucent, gray foci (1-4 mm. diameter). Two circular lesions (15 and 40 mm.), one in the ventral portion of each lung, had slightly elevated, irregular surfaces. On cut section, they were dry and fibrous. White, gritty lesions, 1 mm. or less in size, were scattered over the pleural surfaces and through the parenchyma.

Lymph Nodes.—Two anterior mediastinal lymph nodes were enlarged to 10 by 15 mm. The nodes were firm but cut easily. A thin, purulent exudate could be expressed from the centers with some difficulty. Body lymph nodes were not affected.



Fig. 1—Dorsoventral radiograph of dog B. Note enlarged heart shadow and increased density of bronchial shadows. A few dense foci are present in lung parenchyma.

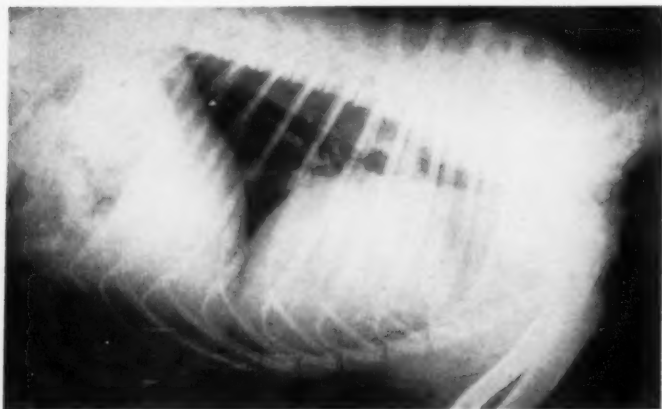


Fig. 2—Lateral radiograph of dog B.

Heart and Pericardium.—The pericardial sac was grossly enlarged and the pleural surface appeared normal but contained approximately 200 ml. of brothlike fluid in which floated flakes of fibrin and fat globules. The inside of the sac and the surface of the heart were covered with a velvety, brownish red, adherent, nodular deposit. The pericardial tissue was 4 mm. thick, and the heart was of normal size but flabby. The ventricles were streaked with irregular yellowish areas that followed the planes of muscle fibers. No other lesions were found.

Tissues behind the diaphragm were not affected.

MICROSCOPIC PATHOLOGY—DOG B

Lungs.—Sections from the 40-mm. lesion consisted of areas of normal, but congested, lung bordering on a region in which the alveolar architecture was difficult to recognize because of infiltration by macrophages in association with fibrocytes. Calcium deposits in the walls of blood vessels were common and apparently were unassociated with other tissue changes.

One of the subpleural lesions, grossly identified as granuloma, consisted of a focus in which the lumina of the alveoli were packed with macrophages.

Peribronchial Lymph Node.—Lymphocytic elements were reduced and the follicular structure was largely replaced by immature collagenous tissue. An occasional giant cell could be found. Several immature sporangia of *C. immitis* were present (fig. 3).

Heart and Pericardium.—A section of the ventricle, from an area showing yellow streaks, consisted of muscle fibers widely

separated by fat cells. Isolated groups of three or four fibers showed good cross striations, except in portions where fiber width was decreased and a hyalinized appearance predominated. Myocardial fibers in another section of the ventricle did not show degenerative changes, but bundles of fibers were abnormally separated.

The epicardial surface was covered with a layer of granulation tissue, 1 mm. thick, which consisted of a rich capillary bed in a framework of reticular tissue, fibrocytes, and many plasma cells (fig. 4). This tissue was organized into villous projections on the free surface. Included in the structure of the granulation tissue were several bodies resembling attenuated *C. immitis* spherules.

The pericardium was much thickened by mature collagenous tissue and was covered on the inner surface with a new tissue, as was the heart.

DIAGNOSIS—DOG B

Clinical manifestations did not indicate coccidioidal infection, the first clue being the gross appearance of the lungs. Pericardial exudate, examined microscopically, revealed many spherical, thick-walled spor-

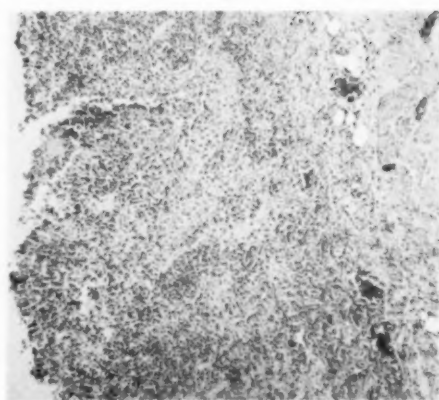


Fig. 4—Section of auricle from dog B. Development of villous projections of granulation tissue from surface of auricle. x 60.

angia typical of the tissue phase of *C. immitis*.

Culture of the pericardial exudate in Sabouraud's dextrose agar produced fungus colonies that were white and cottony. Microscopic examination revealed the presence of barrel-shaped arthrospores, 2 to 3 μ in diameter, typical of *C. immitis*. Confirmation of the morphological identification was obtained by injecting a 30-Gm. hamster intraperitoneally with 1 ml. of a saline

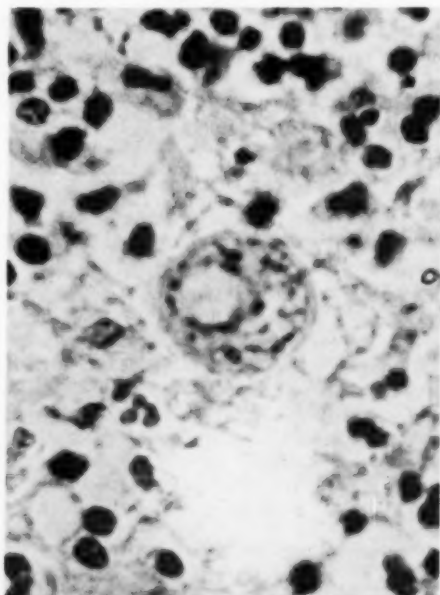


Fig. 3—Sporangium of *Coccidioides immitis* in section of dog B's peribronchial lymph node. x 536.

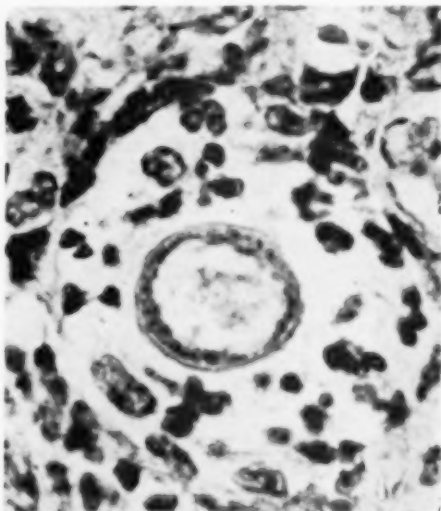


Fig. 5—Tissue phase of *Coccidioides immitis* that developed in hamster following injection of mycelium and arthrospores obtained from culture isolated from dog B. x 536.



Fig. 6—Location of soil-collecting sites; site 16 yielded *Coccidioides immitis*.

suspension of spores and mycelian fragments obtained from one of the colonies. When killed three weeks later, thick-walled spherules containing endospores were observed in the fresh tissue smears made from kidney and liver lesions (fig. 5). The fungus was recovered from these organs by inoculating pieces of tissue in tubes of Sabouraud's dextrose agar. Stained histological section of spleen, omental fat, liver, kidney, gut wall, and lung revealed numerous granulomas containing spherules of *C. immitis*.

ECOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

The home of the dogs' owner was located about 2 miles north of Tucson on a mesa, about 3,000 ft. in altitude, that leads upward to the base of the Santa Catalina mountains.

The area's vegetation is typical of that of the Lower Sonoran Life Zone. Creosote bush (*Larrea tridentata*), saguaro cactus (*Carnegiea gigantea*), ocotillo (*Fouquieria splendens*), bur sage (*Franseria deltoidea*), and palo verde (*Cercidium microphyllum*) predominate. Some prickly pear cactus (*Opuntia engelmanni*) are among the other plants growing there. Irrigation is not practiced in this area.

No domestic animals were present. Some of the common wild animals of the area are kangaroo rats, (*Dipodomys spectabilis spectabilis* and *Dipodomys merriami merriami*), pocket mice (*Perognathus flavus flavus*), ground squirrels (*Citellus tereticaudus* and *Ammospermophilus harrisi*), wood rats (*Neotoma albigula*), jack rabbits (*Lepus californicus* and *Lepus alleni*), and Arizona coyotes (*Canis mearnsi*).

Rainfall in the area averages about 12 inches per year, the bulk of which falls in midsummer and midwinter. Relative humidity is low and temperatures range from 25 to 115 F. in the shade.

These climatic conditions, which exist throughout most of the areas where *C. immitis* is endemic, undoubtedly play a significant role in the occurrence and development of this fungus in soil. A theory accounting for the distribution of *C. immitis* in the Southwest will be proposed in a later paper.¹³

Special studies were carried out to determine whether *C. immitis* was present in the soil of the area frequented by the dogs. Twenty-four soil samples were examined (fig. 6).

ISOLATION PROCEDURE

An indirect isolation procedure,¹⁴ somewhat modified,^{15,16} was employed as follows:

1) Approximately, 10 Gm. of a thoroughly mixed soil sample was suspended in 30 ml. of physiological saline (NaCl, 0.85%) containing 5,000 units of penicillin and 1,000 units of streptomycin per milliliter.

2) The soil solution was vigorously stirred and was allowed to settle for one hour, which provided an opportunity for the antibiotics to inactivate any pathogenic bacteria.

3) The supernatant was then drawn off with a pipette, and 1-ml. aliquots were injected intraperitoneally into each of 4 mice.

4) Eight weeks following inoculation, the mice were killed and portions of their livers and spleens were inoculated into tubes of a neutral peptone-dextrose agar.[‡] The tissues from each mouse were inocu-

[‡]Neopeptone, produced by Difco Laboratories, Inc., Detroit, Mich., 1.0 Gm.; dextrose, 1.0 Gm.; agar, 2.0 Gm.; and distilled water, q. s., 100 ml. adjusted to pH 7 before autoclaving at 120 C. for ten minutes. After cooking, 20 units of penicillin and 40 units of streptomycin per milliliter were added aseptically.

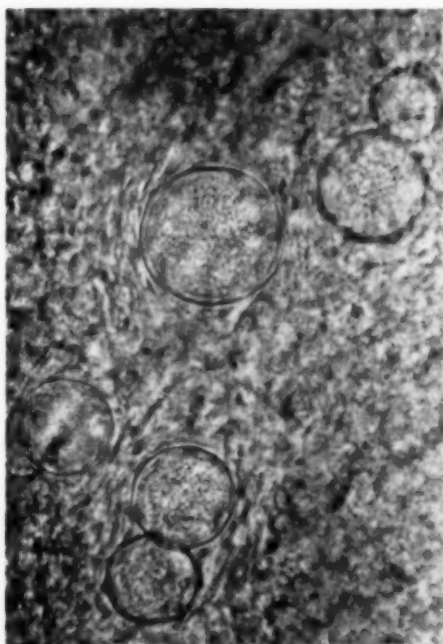


Fig. 7—Group of sporangia of *Coccidioides immitis* in tissue of mouse injected with soil suspension No. 16. Lactophenol cotton blue mount; $\times 220$.

lated into four tubes of medium, two with liver and two with spleen, making a total of 16 tubes for each soil sample.

5) The tubes were incubated at 25 C. and were examined at intervals over a period of six weeks for the development of *C. immitis*.

Coccidioides immitis was isolated from soil sample 16 (fig. 7, 8). Soil samples 1 through 10, 16, and 19 were collected on May 3, 1955, from various spots in the two yards where the dogs ran, as well as along the driveway where the dogs were exercised. The following types of habitats were sampled: exposed dry spots, moist areas under stones, soil contaminated by dog stools, soil from the base of plants, and diggings from rodent burrows. The positive sample (No. 16) came from the diggings of a rodent burrow at the base of a creosote bush that was located along the driveway (fig. 9). The dogs sniffed the rodent holes when they were exercised in that area.

On Dec. 14, 1955, after a summer of heavy rains, 11 more soil samples were collected (11-15, 17, 20-24). Although most

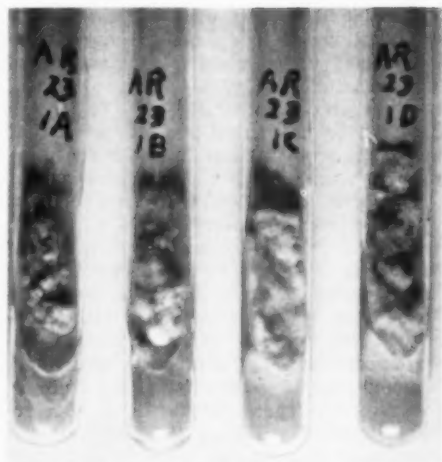


Fig. 8—Appearance of *Coccidioides immitis* in a group of primary isolation tubes inoculated with pieces of liver (A, B) and spleen (C, D) from mouse No. 1 which was injected with 1 ml. of soil suspension No. 16. (In the course of preparing the collecting site map (fig. 6), all the soil samples were renumbered; however, the original number remained on the tubes depicted).

of these were collected in the general vicinity of the positive sample and from rodent burrow diggings, none yielded *C. immitis*.

DISCUSSION

It is fully realized that only 1 of the 5 dogs involved in this study was unequivocally proved infected by *C. immitis*; however, all 5 dogs developed essentially similar symptoms. Dogs C, D, and E gave positive skin test reactions to coccidioidin, and all of their symptoms have been observed in other dogs with coccidioidomycosis.¹¹

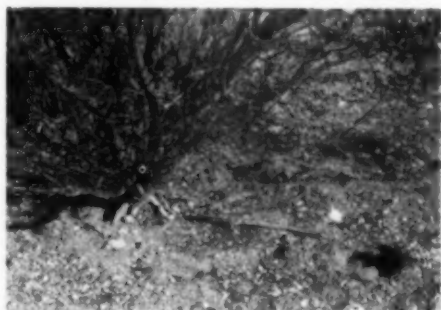


Fig. 9—Positive collecting site. Diggings from the rodent burrow in the foreground near the base of the creosote bush yielded *Coccidioides immitis*.

Presumably, all were equally susceptible to infection. In addition, the dogs were maintained under identical environmental conditions and had equal access to the soil that harbored *C. immitis*.

It is noteworthy that the soil sample that yielded *C. immitis* came from a rodent burrow. In previous studies,¹⁷ 13.6 per cent of soil samples gathered from rodent burrows were positive, in contrast to a 3.4 per cent recovery from soils collected in other habitats. This is of great significance because soil samples have, in the past, been collected more or less at random,¹⁸ with a consequent low recovery of the organism.

Coccidioides immitis must be considered, basically, as a saprophytic soil fungus. Moreover, its concentration in or near rodent burrows indicates that animal burrows offer "something in the environment that was conducive to the growth or concentration of *C. immitis*."¹⁷ This association of a pathogenic fungus with an animal habitat parallels that of *Histoplasma capsulatum*. Field studies in Tennessee¹⁹,²⁰ and in Peru²¹ have shown that chickens, indirectly, and other birds, in an undetermined manner, favorably influence the development of *H. capsulatum* in soil.

Although biological factors significantly influence the development of a given fungus in soil, other conditions determine whether a particular area or region is a suitable habitat for the fungus. An analysis of the characteristics of the Lower Sonoran Life Zone,²² whose limits encompass the endemic areas of *C. immitis*, indicates that an arid climate, mildly alkaline soil, and freedom from severe frosts best enable *C. immitis* to develop saprophytically in soil.

It is apparent that ecological observations on pathogenic fungi, when coupled with climatic studies of endemic areas, will ultimately serve to define the factors that determine endemicity.

SUMMARY

1) Coccidioidomycosis, involving all of 5 dogs brought into the vicinity of Tucson, Ariz., is described.

2) A soil sample collected near a rodent burrow in the yard where the dogs exercised yielded *Coccidioides immitis*.

3) The ecological characteristics of the Tucson area are described and discussed in relation to factors that determine the endemicity of *C. immitis*.

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Veterinarians in Medical Research

Of general as well as historical interest to veterinarians is an article in the *Annual Review of Physiology* (vol. 17, 1955) by Frank C. Mann, M.D., describing the development of the laboratory of experimental surgery and pathology at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., under his supervision.

Starting in 1914, he relates how group research was developed. A group of scientists, trained in research in different fields, was assembled. They participated as equals, on a voluntary basis, devoting a limited time to the group research so that each could continue investigations in his own field. Of interest is the statement: "The nebulous honor of having his name first on the published paper was granted as an inducement for the member of the team who would do the greatly disliked task of preparing the manuscript." However, each scientist approved his own contribution before publication.

Also of interest is the reference to the first participating veterinarian. Dr. Mann stated that "one of the most vexing problems . . . [was] related to the procurement, housing, and care of laboratory animals." Since one of the main difficulties was the prevalence of disease, it was decided that the solution lay in adding a veterinarian to the research staff. As a result, the late Dr. S. D. Brimhall (UP '89) joined the staff in September, 1915. (He retired in 1922.) This was believed to be the first time a veterinarian had become a member of a medical research laboratory staff and was a "happy solution to our animal problems."

Dr. Mann reports that "It soon became evident that our veterinary colleagues had much more to give us than just their knowledge and skill in the care of animals. They possessed a type of training which included knowledge of special differences in both function and disease, and the all-important necessity for observation [animals can't talk] which was of value."

He mentions the rapid progress in veterinary practice which has kept pace with medical practice and adds, "The faculties of veterinary schools include many worthy scientists and the physiology departments . . . are potentially important for researches in comparative physiology, a field which once flourished but has suffered from neglect."

With regard to research in general, Dr. Mann concludes that "It is possible that

security is not the most desirable objective in life, . . . that doing what one desires most to do is probably the most important single factor to consider in the selection of a career."

Practical Field Research

Reference is made to two pertinent remarks by Dr. Mann in the above article: to the new idea of doing research "as equals on a voluntary basis" and the importance of "doing what one desires most to do."

In veterinary medicine, as doubtless in all fields, there is great need for just such "voluntary" research by those who feel an urge for "doing" it, and this does not mean laboratory research only.

Unfortunately, the word *research* is too often identified with a test tube or a microscope. Webster defines it as "careful search" or "studious inquiry."

Important and essential as laboratory research is, it alone may have little value unless properly related to field conditions. Likewise, opinions derived in field studies by practitioners may get on the wrong track if details are not properly confirmed by the laboratory. For solid progress, the two should be coordinated on an "equal and voluntary basis." There is a gratifying trend in this direction. However, practitioners of long experience are too seldom found participating.

The old reliables who had to depend, in diagnosing, on thoroughness in knowledge of animals and their own ability to observe and analyze, often developed a know-how which will seldom be attained by those who lean heavily on laboratory techniques. This makes the opinions of the former group doubly valuable when supported by laboratory findings.

As an example, many practitioners have long considered actinomycosis and actinobacillosis as quite readily distinguishable diseases, and they assumed that pathologists agreed. However, the latest American texts avoid a distinct differentiation.

This emphasizes the value of research findings reported in an article in this issue (p. 478). It seems to confirm the observation that not only is actinobacillosis a distinct disease but that it also is transferable, which was previously denied.

Practitioners should take advantage of their unique opportunity for teamwork in practical surgery, and should report it.

ABSTRACTS

Reactions Between *Leptospira* Species

Leptospira icterohaemorrhagiae (AB) agglutinins and lysins which developed titers for the infecting microorganism were found in 183 serums from 219 cattle naturally infected with *Leptospira pomona*. In general, the homologous or *L. pomona* titer exceeded the heterologous or *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* titer. Two of 156 cattle were found to have heterologous titers but a homologous reaction was absent. Heterologous serotype titers were not detectable in the serums of all cattle with demonstrable *L. pomona* titers.

The cross-agglutination reaction was also observed in the serums of guinea pigs and hamsters which were inoculated with *L. pomona*-infected material.

Cattle, swine, and a goat concurrently developed serum titers for the two serotypes during the experimental *L. pomona* infection. Titers persisted for both leptospiral species for 48 days, at which time the experiments were concluded.

When the serums of the cattle, which were experimentally infected with *L. pomona*, were absorbed with *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* (AB), all reactivity for *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* was removed and that for *L. pomona* was decreased. Evidence indicated that *L. pomona* (Wickard), which had been propagated in mediums for over two years, may have undergone a minute antigenic change.

The implications of these findings with respect to the serodiagnosis of leptospiroses are discussed. —[E. V. Morse and V. Allen: *Serological Cross-Agglutination Reactions Between Leptospira Pomona and Leptospira Icterohaemorrhagiae*, AB. *Am. J. Vet. Res.*, 17, (July, 1956): 563.]

Abscesses of the Pharyngeal Region of Swine

An unnamed *Streptococcus* sp. of Lancefield's group E was isolated from 85.6 per cent of 492 abscesses of the pharyngeal region of swine. The incidence of this bacterium was determined on culture of specimens from Ohio, Illinois, and Minnesota and was similar to that obtained from like specimens collected in Iowa. Other kinds of bacteria that may be associated with this type of lesion are believed to be secondary invaders.

It was concluded that the group E *Streptococcus* is worthy of consideration as the etiological agent of this condition because of its regular association with the abscesses. —[J. R. Collier: *Abscesses of the Pharyngeal Region of Swine—Bacteriological Examination of Exudates*, *Am. J. Vet. Res.*, 17, (Oct., 1956): 640-642.]

Diphtheroid Stomatitis of Chickens

Chickens (Rhode Island Red, White Leghorn, White Plymouth Rock) were seen with yellowish white, rather firm, adherent diphtheritic lesions in the mouth and pharynx. The lesions and the salivary glands contained large numbers of a spiral organism, 5 to 12 μ long and 1 μ wide, usually with

three to six spirals. The organism was actively motile by means of a single flagellum at each end. Giemsa-stained organisms were less acutely spiral and contained dark purple-stained round areas, about one per coil, contrasting with a gray or light blue color of the rest of the cell. Heat-fixed, gram-stained organisms were also uneven in color, being mostly pink with unstained and purple areas.

Culture attempts in artificial mediums and in embryonating eggs were unsuccessful because of overgrowth with other organisms. Transfer of the organisms and production of lesions was effected by contact and by oral inoculation of material containing the spirilla. The paper reviews some of the previous reports of spiral organisms in birds. The name "*Spirillum pulli*, species nova," is proposed for this organism. —[William J. Matbey, Jr.: *A Diphtheroid Stomatitis of Chickens Apparently Due to a Spirillum*, *Am. J. Vet. Res.*, 17, (Oct., 1956): 742-746.]

Submucosal Glands in the Bovine Colon

Two areas of mucosal thickening are regularly encountered in the bovine colon at the ileocecal valve and at the junction of the proximal and coiled loops of the ascending colon. These thickenings are caused by Peyer's patch-like accumulations of lymphoid tissue. The mucosal glands in these areas penetrate into the submucosa, apparently as a result of defects in the muscularis mucosae.

Cystic, crypt abscessing changes are frequent in these areas, particularly in the submucosal glands. This type of lesion is considered specific for the particular structures and not for any particular disease entity. —[James R. Rooney, II: *Submucosal Glands in the Bovine Colon*, *Am. J. Vet. Res.*, 17, (Oct., 1956): 599-606.]

BOOKS AND REPORTS

Annual Review of Biochemistry

The twenty-fifth edition of the "Annual Review of Biochemistry" includes 24 chapters written by experts in the various fields. Its subjects range from nonoxidative and nonproteolytic enzymes to carbohydrate metabolism. It is too technical for other than research workers. —[*Annual Review of Biochemistry*, J. Murray Luck, Frank W. Allen, and Gordon MacKinney, editors, 794 pages. Annual Reviews, Inc., Palo Alto, Calif. 1956. Price \$7.00.]

Dictionary of Dietetics

This book is a compilation of words and terms, and their definitions, which are commonly used in relation to diet and diet therapy. The author has included terms from the fields of nutrition, medicine, chemistry, and biochemistry in order to provide as complete a background as possible for the feeding problems of healthy as well as ill persons, the young as well as the aged. —[*Dictionary of Dietetics*, By Rhoda Ellis, 152 pages. Philosophical Library, Inc., New York, N. Y. 1956. Price \$6.00.]

Veterinarians Invited to Attend A.A.A.S. Symposium

A feature of the Section O (Agriculture) program of the American Association for the Advancement of Science meetings in New York City, Dec. 26-31, 1956, will be a symposium on "Grasslands in Our National Life." Several of the papers to be presented will be of interest to veterinarians, especially those in the field of nutrition.

Among the topics to be discussed by leading authorities are forage utilization and related animal nutrition problems, estrogenic substances in forages, different methods of utilizing forage in dairy cattle nutrition, and mineral problems in forage utilization.

The AVMA is participating as a co-sponsor of the Symposium along with other scientific and professional societies which have representation in A.A.A.S.

Veterinarians who want more information about the program should write to Dr. Howard B. Sprague, Chairman, Section O, A.A.A.S., Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pa.

U. S. GOVERNMENT

Dr. Burmester Awarded Tom Newman Award.—Dr. B. R. Burmester, Regional Poultry Research Laboratory, U.S.D.A., East Lansing, Mich., was awarded the Tom Newman Memorial Award by the Poultry Association of Great Britain for his research on visceral lymphomatosis of chickens published in 1955.

The Tom Newman Memorial Award is an international award for poultry husbandry research and is made annually to the author "of the most important contribution in poultry husbandry research published the previous year. . . ."

Born in Petaluma, Calif., Dr. Burmester received the B.S. degree in poultry husbandry, the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in comparative physiology from the University of California; and the D.V.M. degree from Michigan State University. At the University of California, and later at the University of Illinois, he served as an instructor in poultry husbandry and did research on the physiology of reproduction. In 1940, he joined the U. S. Regional Poultry Research Laboratory where he now conducts research on avian lymphomatosis and related diseases.

In 1940, Dr. Burmester received the Poultry Science Research Award and, in 1948, the Sigma Xi Junior Research Award. He is a member of the Poultry Science Association, American Association for Cancer Research, Society of Experimental Biology and Medicine, the World's Poultry Science Association, the Official Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases of North America, and the AVMA.

Dr. Johnstone, Active Veterinarian, 80 Years Old.—Dr. Alexander G. Johnstone, still active as a meat inspector for the U.S.D.A., San Francisco, Calif., branch, was 80 years old on Sept. 4, 1956.



Dr. Alexander G. Johnstone

Born in Ontario, Dr. Johnstone became a naturalized citizen of the United States in 1900, and received the D.V.M. degree from Chicago Veterinary College in 1915. He was with the Federal Meat Inspection Branch in Chicago from 1917 until his retirement in 1938. During World War II, Dr. Johnstone was again employed by the U.S.D.A. and was assigned to meat inspection in Fort Worth, Texas. Since then, he has been assigned to Los Angeles, Calif., Smithfield, Va., Sandusky, Ohio and, finally, San Francisco.

Although the age of retirement for civil service employees is 70, the Meat Inspection Branch, because it has been unable to secure the number of veterinarians needed to provide adequate service, has obtained authority to employ older persons.

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Veterinary Personnel Changes.—The following changes in the force of veterinarians employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture are reported as of Sept. 30, 1956.

TRANSFERS

George E. Aidman, from Frankfort, Ind., to Rapid City, S. Dak.

Paul C. Becton, from Little Rock, Ark., to Baton Rouge, La.

Don R. Bowers, from Charleston, W. Va., to Jackson, Miss.

Fred W. Cardwell, from Smithfield, Va., to Albany, N.Y.

Salvatore Corridore, from New York, N.Y., to N. Walpole, N.H.

Edmund F. Cushing, from Olympia, Wash., to Reno, Nev.

Frank T. Custer, Jr., from Columbus, Ohio, to Alexandria Bay, N.Y.

Irvine A. Darling, from Worthington, Minn., to Oxford, Neb.

Orville H. Drumm, from Boston, Mass., to Derry, N.H.
Clement M. Flowers, from Lakewood, N.J., to Monroe, N. Car.

Salvatore C. Greco, from Montpelier, Vt., to Albany, N.Y.

Woodrow W. Harkins, from Phoenix, Ariz., to Lansing, Mich.

George Harner, from Springdale, Ark., to St. Louis, Mo.
Harold C. King, from Des Moines, Iowa, to Washington, D.C.

Erik Kjarulff, Camden, N.J., to Eastport, I.I., N.Y.
Peter Kluniak, from Cordova, Md., to Shelbina, Mo.

William A. McDonald, from Sacramento, Calif., to Little Rock, Ark.

Milton A. Nevens, from Camden, N.J., to Winchester, Va.

Robert J. Reigh, from Little Rock, Ark., to Indianapolis, Ind.

Henry Tillett, from Camden, N.J., to Worthington, Minn.

Robert L. Ziriax, Jr., from Albuquerque, N. M., to Trenton, N.J.

RETIREMENTS

William A. Cornell, Omaha, Neb.

Ernest R. Teich, Bismarck, N. Dak.

Robert C. Thumann, Columbus, Ohio.

AMONG THE STATES AND PROVINCES

California

East Bay Association.—A meeting of the East Bay Veterinary Medical Association was held on Aug. 29, 1956, at the hospital of Dr. I. M. Roberts, Oakland, Calif. The principal subject under discussion was the constitution which is being revised.

On Sept. 26, 1956, the Association held its meeting at the Robin Hood Inn. Among the subjects discussed were a short course for graduate veterinarians, membership, and the constitution.

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Illinois

Illinois Conference.—The thirty-seventh annual Illinois conference and extension short course for veterinarians was held on Oct. 12, 1956, at the University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine, Champaign.

The following guest speakers and their subjects participated in the program: H. S. Bryan, Upjohn Company, Kalamazoo, Mich. (leptospirosis); J. H. Nadler, Peotone, Ill. (surgical correction of self-nursing); V. G. Crago, Youngstown, Ohio (small animal hospitals, clinical tips); William G. Huber, Cissna Park, Ill. (poultry practice tips); G. T. Edds, Fort Dodge Laboratories, Fort Dodge, Iowa (new treatments for old diseases); and M. A. Emerson, Iowa State College, Ames (reproduction research).

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East Central Association.—A meeting of the East Central Iowa Veterinary Medical Society was held at the Hotel Roosevelt, Cedar Rapids, on Sept. 13, 1956.

The following speakers and their subjects were among the program participants: Leroy A. Pierce, Cedar Rapids (bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis cooperative testing); John B. Bryant, Mount Vernon (visit to Colorado A. & M. College); and William S. Monlux, Iowa State College, Ames (parasites).

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Metropolitan Association.—At the Oct. 17, 1956, meeting of the Metropolitan New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association held at the Academy of Medicine Building, Newark, Dr. David K. Detweiler, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, discussed diagnosis and therapy of canine cardiac diseases.

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DEATHS

Clarence R. Richards (ONT '01; CVC '02), 70, Los Angeles, Calif., died on Dec. 20, 1950. For 46 years, Dr. Richards had specialized in equine practice.

Forrest E. Richards (ARK '18), 63, Bonham, Texas, died on Aug. 10, 1956. Dr. Richards was a general practitioner. His survivors include his widow, a son, three brothers, and three sisters.

Robert Simms (COR '11), 69, Morristown, N. J., died on Feb. 17, 1954, in Carmel, Calif. Dr. Simms had been a lieutenant in the Veterinary Corps of the U. S. Army during World War I and had been a member of the New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association. His widow and children survive.

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Other Deaths Reported.—The following deaths have been reported. The usual information for an obituary was not supplied.

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S/DR. VIRGINIA BUFF D'APICE, President,
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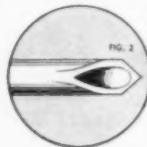
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Armed Forces Institute of Pathology. Postgraduate short course, pathology of diseases of laboratory animals. Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 10-14, 1956. The Director, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, 6825 16th Street, N.W., Washington 25, D.C.

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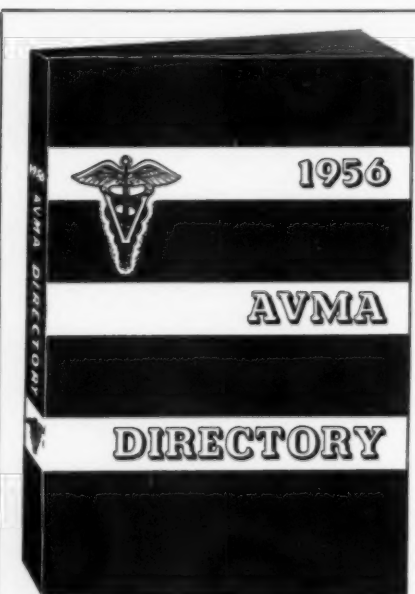
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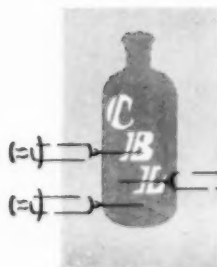
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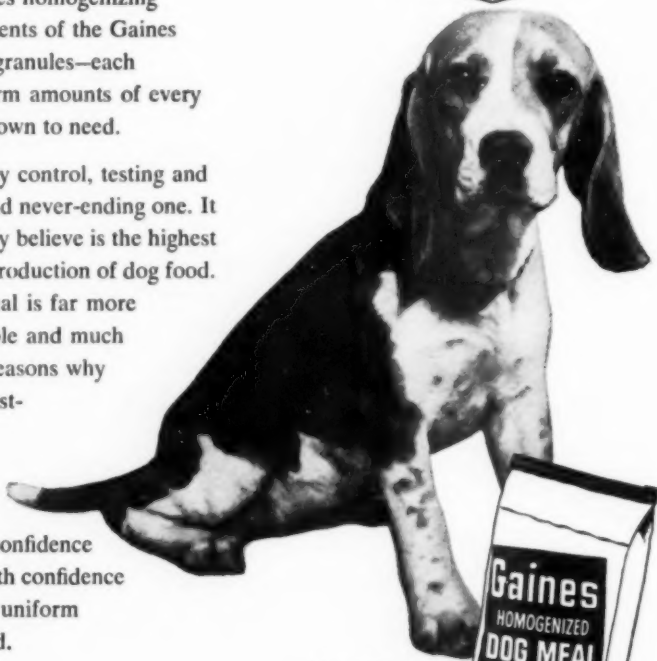
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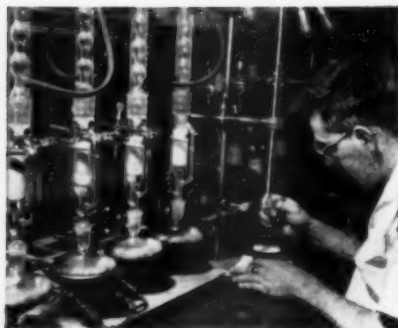
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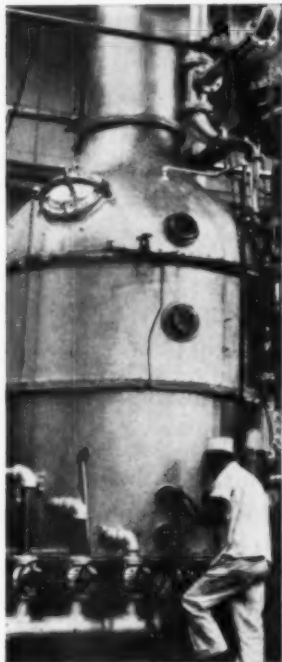
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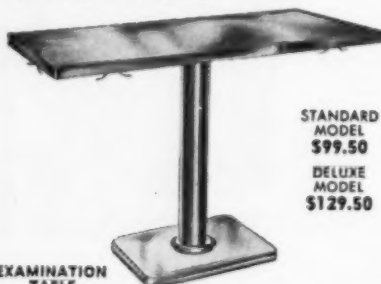
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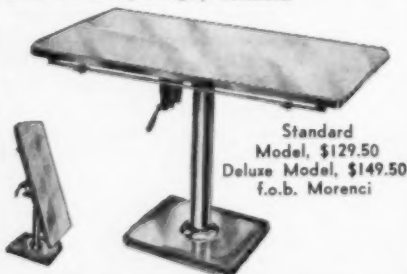
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Regularly Scheduled Meetings

ALABAMA—Central Alabama Veterinary Association, the first Thursday of each month. B. M. Lauderdale, Montgomery, secretary.

Jefferson County Veterinary Medical Association, the second Thursday of each month. S. A. Price, 213 N. 15th St., Birmingham, secretary.

Mobile-Baldwin Veterinary Medical Association, the first Tuesday of each month. W. David Gross, 771 Holcombe Ave., Mobile, Ala., secretary.

ARIZONA—Central Arizona Veterinary Medical Association, the second Tuesday of each month. Keith T. Maddy, Phoenix, Ariz., secretary.

Southern Arizona Veterinary Medical Association, the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. E. T. Anderson, Rt. 2, Box 697, Tucson, Ariz., secretary.

CALIFORNIA—Bay Counties Veterinary Medical Association, the second Tuesday of each month. E. Paul, Redwood City, Calif., secretary.

Central California Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Tuesday of each month. Wilfred Pimentel, 3455 S. Elm Ave., Fresno, Calif., secretary.

Association of East Bay Veterinarians, bimonthly, the fourth Wednesday. Leo Goldston, 3793 Broadway, Oakland 11, Calif., secretary.

Kern County Veterinary Medical Association, the first Thursday evening of each month. A. L. Irwin, 301 Taft Highway, Bakersfield, Calif., secretary.

Mid-Coast Veterinary Medical Association, the first Thursday of every even month. W. H. Rockey, P. O. Box 121, San Luis Obispo, Calif., secretary.

Monterey Bay Area Veterinary Medical Association, the third Wednesday of each month. Lewis J. Campbell, 90 Corral de Tierra, Salinas, Calif., secretary.

North San Joaquin Valley Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Hotel Cavell, in Modesto, Calif. Lyle A. Baker, Turlock, Calif., secretary.

Orange Belt Veterinary Medical Association, the second Monday of each month. Chester A. Maeda, 766 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino, Calif., secretary.

Orange County Veterinary Medical Association, the third Thursday of each month. Donald E. Lind, 2643 N. Main St., Santa Ana, Calif., secretary.

Peninsula Veterinary Medical Association, the third Monday of each month. T. D. Harris, San Mateo, Calif., secretary.

Redwood Empire Veterinary Medical Association, the third Thursday of each month. Robert E. Clark, Napa, Calif., secretary.

Sacramento Valley Veterinary Medical Association, the second Wednesday of each month. W. E. Steinmetz, 4227 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento, Calif., secretary.

San Diego County Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Tuesday of each month. H. R. Rosoff, 1795 Moore St., San Diego, Calif., secretary.

San Fernando Valley Veterinary Medical Association, the second Friday of each month at the Casa Escobar Restaurant in Studio City. John Chudascoff, 7912 Sepulveda Blvd., Van Nuys, secretary.

Southern California Veterinary Medical Association, the last Wednesday of each month. Don Mahan, 1919 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 57, Calif., executive secretary.

Tulare County Veterinarians, the second Thursday of each month. R. B. Baraleau, 2333 E. Mineral King, Visalia, Calif., secretary.

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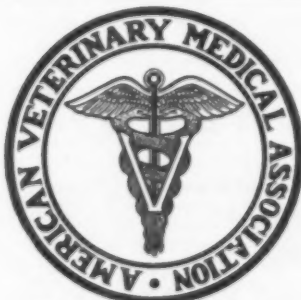
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Northern Colorado Veterinary Medical Society, the first Monday of each month. M. A. Hammarlund, School of Veterinary Medicine, Colorado A. & M. College, Fort Collins, Colo., secretary.

DELAWARE—New Castle County Veterinary Association, the first Tuesday of each month at 9:00 p.m. in the Hotel Rodney, Wilmington, Del. E. J. Hathaway, Clifton Park Manor, Apt. 73-5, Wilmington 2, Del., secretary.

FLORIDA—Central Florida Veterinary Medical Association, the second Friday of each month, time and place specified monthly. James B. Murphy, Eustis, Fla., secretary.

Jacksonville Veterinary Medical Association, the second Thursday of each month, time and place specified monthly. George F. Yopp, 4644 Main St., Jacksonville, Fla., secretary.

Northwest Florida Veterinary Medical Society, third Wednesday of each month, time and place specified monthly. Harold A. Tennant, Atmore, Ala., secretary.

Palm Beach Veterinary Society, the last Thursday of each month in the county office building at 810 Datura St., West Palm Beach. Ross E. Evans, 5215 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, Fla., secretary.

Ridge Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Thursday of each month in Bartow, Fla. Paul J. Myers, Winter Haven, Fla., secretary.

South Florida Veterinary Society, the third Tuesday of each month, at the Seven Seas Restaurant, Miami, Fla. E. D. Stoddard, 6432 S. W. 8th St., Miami, Fla., secretary.

Suwannee Valley Veterinary Association, the third Friday of each month, at the Thomas Hotel, Gainesville, Fla. R. C. Mann, Rt. 1, Box 37, Ocala, Fla., secretary.

GEORGIA—Atlanta Veterinary Society, the second Tues-

day of every month at the Elks Home on Peachtree St., Atlanta, Ga. J. L. Christopher, Smyrna, Ga., secretary.

ILLINOIS—Chicago Veterinary Medical Association, the second Tuesday of each month. Mark E. Davenport, Jr., 215 S. Edgewood Ave., LaGrange, Ill., secretary.

Eastern Illinois Veterinary Medical Association, the first Thursday of March, June, September, and December. A one-day clinic is held in May. H. S. Bryan, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Illinois, Urbana, secretary.

INDIANA—Central Indiana Veterinary Medical Association, the second Wednesday of each month. Peter Johnson, Jr., 4410 N. Keystone Ave., Indianapolis 5, secretary. Michiana Veterinary Medical Association, the second Thursday of every month, except July and December, at the Hotel LaSalle, South Bend, Ind. J. M. Carter, 3421 S. Main St., Elkhart, Ind., secretary.

Tenth District Veterinary Medical Association the third Thursday of each month. W. E. Sharp, Union City, Ind., secretary.

IOWA—Cedar Valley Veterinary Association, the second Monday of each month, except January, July, August, and October, at Black's Tea Room, Waterloo, Iowa. H. V. Henderson, Reinbeck, Iowa, secretary.

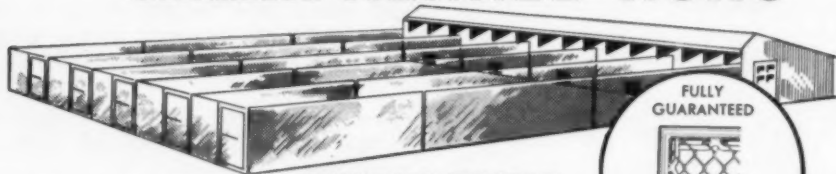
Coon Valley Veterinary Association, the second Wednesday of each month, September through May, at the Bradford Hotel, Storm Lake, Iowa. D. I. Lee, Sac City, Iowa, secretary.

Fayette County Veterinary Association, the third Tuesday of each month, except in July and August, at Pa and Ma's Restaurant, West Union, Iowa. Donald E. Moore, Box 178, Decorah, Iowa, secretary.

Northeast Iowa-Southern Minnesota Veterinary Association, the first Tuesday of February, May, August, and November at the Wisneslick Hotel, Decorah, Iowa, 6:30 p.m. Donald E. Moore, Box 178, Decorah, Iowa, secretary.

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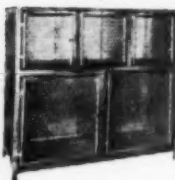
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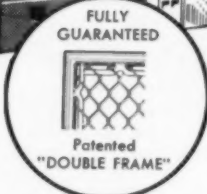
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Jefferson County Veterinary Society of Kentucky, Inc., the first Wednesday evening of each month in Louisville or within a radius of 50 miles. W. E. Bewley, P.O. Box "H," Crestwood, secretary.

MARYLAND—Baltimore City Veterinary Medical Association, the second Thursday of each month, September through May (except December), at 9:00 p.m. at the Park Plaza Hotel, Charles and Madison St., Baltimore, Md. Harry L. Schultz, Jr., 9011 Harford Rd., Baltimore, Md., secretary.

MICHIGAN—Mid-State Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Thursday of each month with the exception of November and December. Robert E. Kader, 5034 Armstrong Rd., Lansing 17, Mich., secretary.

Saginaw Valley Veterinary Medical Association, the last Wednesday of each month. S. Correll, Rt. 1, Midland, Mich., secretary.

Southeastern Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Wednesday of every month, September through May. Gilbert Meyer, 14003 E. Seven Mile Rd., Detroit 5, Mich., secretary.

MISSOURI—Greater St. Louis Veterinary Medical Association, the first Friday of the month (except July and August) at the Sheraton Hotel, Spring Ave. and Lindell Blvd. Allen B. Shopmaker, 136 N. Meramec, Clayton 5, Mo., secretary.

Kansas City Small Animal Hospital Association, the first Monday of each month, at alternating hospitals. W. F. Noland, 7504 Metcalf, Overland Park, Kan., secretary.

Kansas City Veterinary Medical Association, the third Tuesday of each month at Exchange Hall, ninth floor, Livestock Exchange Bldg., 1600 Genessee St., Kansas

City, Mo. Busch Meredith, 800 Woodswether Rd., Kansas City 5, Mo., secretary.

NEW JERSEY—Central New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association, the second Thursday of November, January, March, and May at Old High Inn, Hightstown, N. J. David C. Tudor, Cranbury, N. J., secretary.

Metropolitan New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association, the third Wednesday evening of each month from October through April at the Academy of Medicine, 91 Lincoln Park South, Newark, N. J. Myron S. Arlein, 2172 Milburn Ave., Maplewood, N. J., secretary.

Northern New Jersey Veterinary Association, the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Casa Mana in Teaneck. James R. Tanzola, Upper Saddle River, secretary.

Northwest Jersey Veterinary Society, the third Wednesday of every odd month. F. B. Duke, 49 Taylor St., High Bridge, N. J., secretary.

Southern New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association, the third Tuesday of each month at the Collingswood Veterinary Hospital, Collingswood. W. E. Snyder, E. Kings Highway and Munn Ave., Haddonfield, secretary.

NEW YORK—New York City, Inc., Veterinary Medical Association of the first Wednesday of each month at the New York Academy of Sciences, 2 East 63rd St., New York City. C. E. DeCamp, 43 West 61st St., New York 23, N. Y., secretary.

Monroe County Veterinary Medical Association, the first Thursday of even-numbered months except August. Irwin Bircher, 50 University Ave., Rochester, N. Y., secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA—Central Carolina Veterinary Medical Association, the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the O'Henry Hotel, Greensboro. Joseph A. Lombardo, 411 Woodlawn Ave., Greensboro, secretary.

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OHIO—Cuyahoga County Veterinary Medical Association, the first Wednesday of each month, September through May (except January), at 9:00 p.m. at the Carter Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. Ed. R. Jacobs, 5522 Pearl Rd., Cleveland, Ohio, secretary.

OKLAHOMA—Oklahoma County Veterinary Medical Association, the second Wednesday of every month. James M. Brown, 2818 W. Britton Rd., Oklahoma City, secretary.

Tulsa Veterinary Medical Association, the third Thursday of each month in Directors' Parlor of the Brookside State Bank, Tulsa, Okla. Don L. Hohmann, 538 S. Madison St., Tulsa, Okla., secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA—Keystone Veterinary Medical Association, the fourth Wednesday of each month at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, 39th and Woodland Ave., Philadelphia 4, Pa. Raymond C. Snyder, 39th and Woodland Ave., Philadelphia 4, Pa., secretary.

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Northern Virginia Veterinary Society, the second Wednesday of every third month. Meeting place announced by letter. H. C. Newman, Box 145, Merrifield, Va., secretary.

Southwest Virginia Veterinary Medical Association, the first Thursday of each month. I. D. Wilson, Blacksburg, secretary.

WASHINGTON—Seattle Veterinary Medical Association, the third Tuesday of each month in the Trinity Episcopal Church, 8th and James St., Seattle, Wash. P. R. Des Rosiers, 5508 2nd Ave., N. W., Seattle 7, Wash., secretary.

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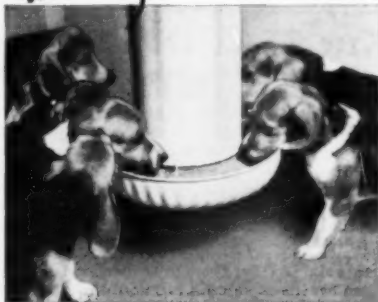
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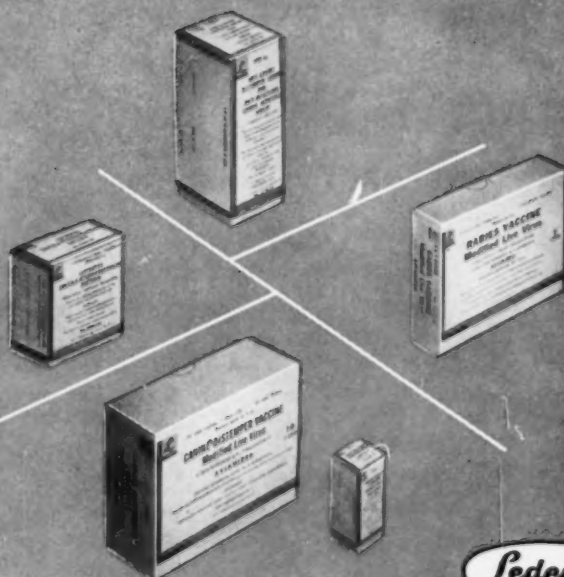
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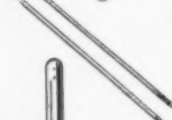
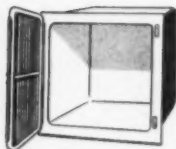
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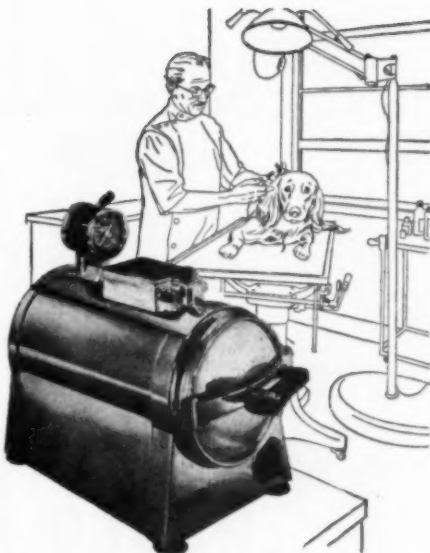
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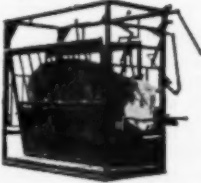
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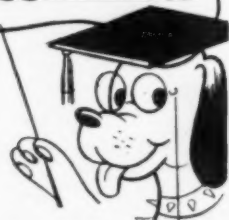
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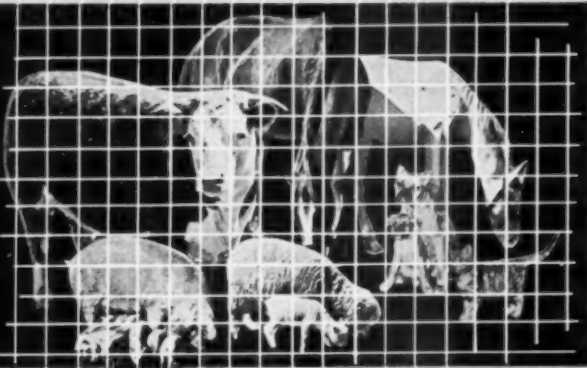
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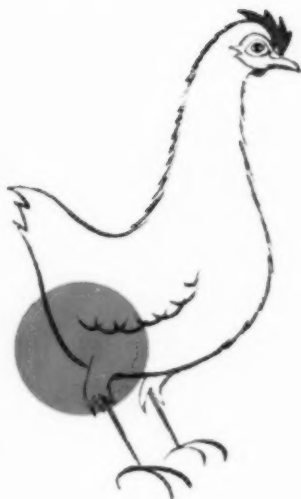


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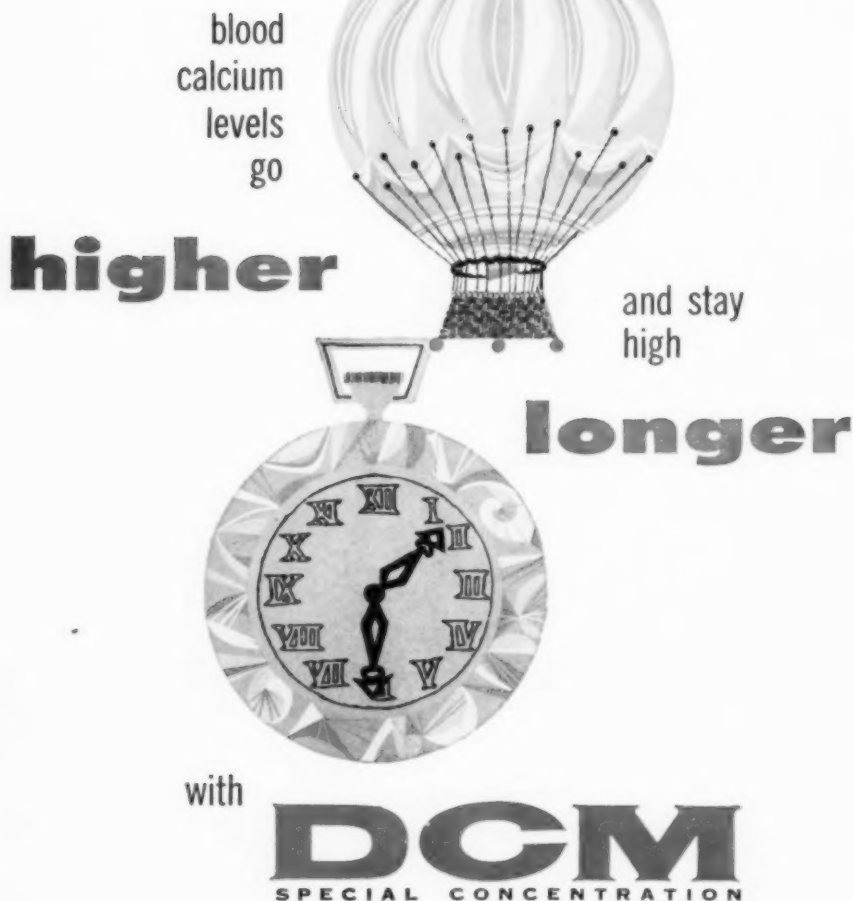
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